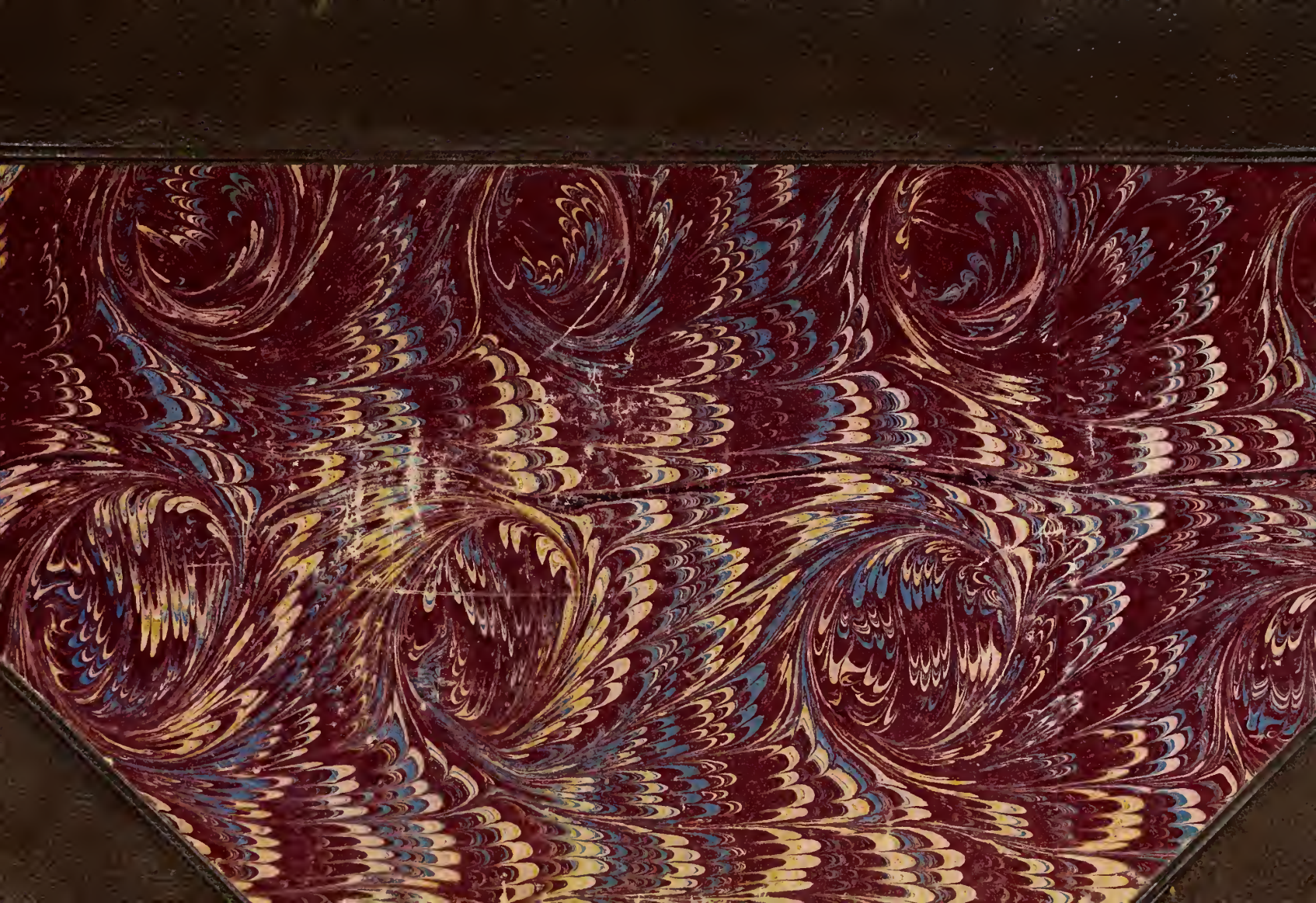
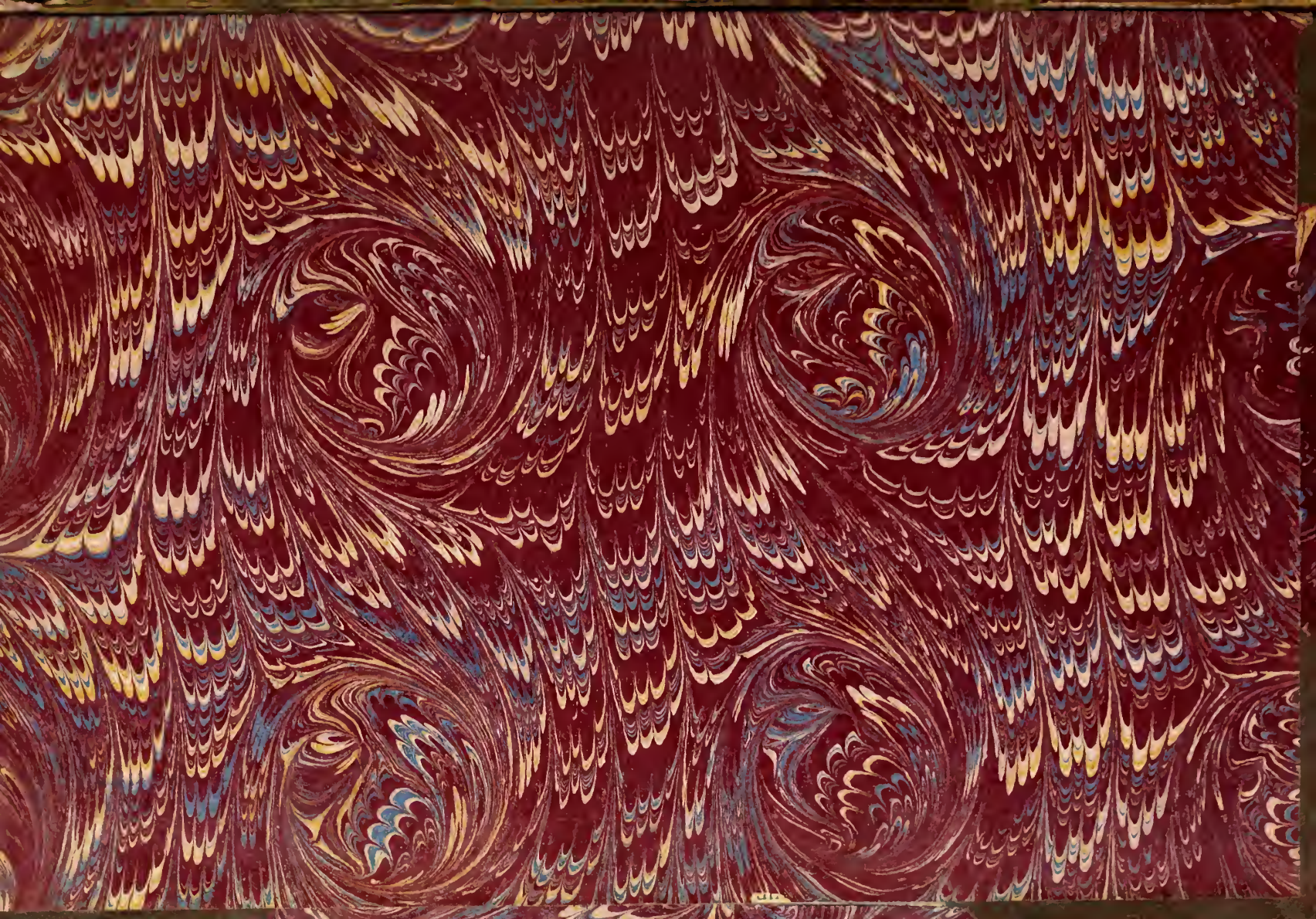






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REPORT OF THE STATE

OF THE

NEW YORK HOSPITAL

AND

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM,

FOR THE YEAR 1866.

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TO THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF NEW YORK.

THE GOVERNORS OF THE SOCIETY OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL RESPECTFULLY PRESENT THEIR ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE ESTABLISHMENTS UNDER THEIR CHARGE.

The Governors of the Society of the New York Hospital continue to hold and manage two distinct and large establishments—the Hospital, on Broadway, in the lower part of the city, for the treatment of medical and surgical patients, and the Asylum for the reception of the insane, at Bloomingdale, in the vicinity of the Central Park.

The following abstract statement shows the receipts and expenditures from all sources and on all accounts, under their respective heads, during the year 1866, all bills and demands for current expenses of the Hospital and Asylum having been settled in full to the close of the year.

THE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS OF THE INSTITUTION, FROM ALL SOURCES,

DURING THE YEAR 1866, HAVE BEEN:

Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, December 31, 1865	$483 60	Balance due Bank of Commerce, December 31, 1865	$27,084 10
Balance in hands of Warden of the Asylum, December 31, 1865	150 00	Paid on account of support of New York Hospital	98,267 87
Received on account of the New York Hospital	76,745 83	Paid on account of support of Bloomingdale Asylum	95,651 07
Received on account of Bloomingdale Asylum	99,351 15	Paid interest on bonds to Bank for Savings	4,200 00
Received, Interest	44 25	Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, December 31, 1866	1,333 68
" Donations	4,869 55		
" rent of North building,	1,686 66		
" grant from the State of New York for 1864	15,000 00		
Received grant from the State of New York for 1865	12,000 00		
Balance due Bank of Commerce, December 31, 1866	16,205 68		
	$226,536 72		$226,536 27

The financial condition of this Corporation on the 31st December, 1866, stands thus, as compared with that on the 31st December, 1865.

On the 31st December, 1865, it stood thus:

Debt on Mortgage		$70,000 00
" to Bank of Commerce		27,084 10
		$97,084 10
Deduct balance in Bank of America to credit of Asylum	$483 60	
" in the hands of Warden	150 00	
		633 60
		$96,450 50

On 31st December, 1866.

Debt on Mortgage		$70,000 00
" to Bank of Commerce		16,205 68
		$86,205 68
Deduct balance in Bank of America to credit of Asylum		$1,333 68
		$84,872 00

Annexed to this report is the Report of the Committee of Accounts, showing the several items of receipts and disbursements of the Hospital and Asylum for the year 1866. (See page 28.)

THE HOSPITALS IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

During the past year no change in the internal management or general administration of the Hospital has been made. Under a new contract with the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, the rate of board of sick seamen entitled to the benefit of the United

States Hospital Fund, has been raised from $6 to $7 per week. The general rate for other patients, able to contribute towards their own support, remains at $6 per week for male, and $5 for female patients. The highest rate for board mentioned is much less than the present actual average cost of each patient, exclusive of any charge for medical or surgical aid, or any estimate for the rent or cost of buildings or grounds. Persons suffering from injuries or acute diseases requiring immediate relief, are received and treated gratuitously if unable to make compensation.

The whole number of persons who received the benefits of the New York Hospital as medical or surgical patients during the year 1866 was 2,645, less by about one-fifth than the number of patients treated the previous year. The average daily number has been 226. During the last year the number of weeks occupied in the Hospital by patients received gratuitously was $8\frac{00}{100}$ per cent. of the whole time occupied by the several classes of patients, a marked decrease on the average of former years.

The number of patients in the Hospital on the 31st of December, 1865, was 243, and there were admitted during the year 1866, 2,402.

Of this number there have been cured	1,536
Relieved	475
Request	63
Discharged as improper objects	23
Eloped or discharged as disorderly	32
Died	283
	2,412
Remaining 31st December, 1866	233
Total treated	2,645

The total number of inquests held at the Hospital by the coroners during the year was 95.

From the following causes, viz.:

Railroad accidents	10
Falling from buildings and other injuries	41
Burns and scalds	12
Run over by stages and wagons	3
Suicides	2
Stabs, gun-shot wounds, &c	6
Various other causes	21
Total	95

Deducting these 95 cases as above, the number of other deaths was 188.

The practice of the Hospital during the year presents the following results:—The number of weeks occupied by diseased seamen was $62\frac{15}{100}$ per cent. in proportion to the other classes, against $44\frac{25}{100}$ in the year 1865. Of the whole number of patients under actual treatment $10\frac{75}{100}$ per cent. died; or, taking the ratio of mortality on all discharged, as is done in some similar statistics, $11\frac{75}{100}$ per cent. died. Of the deaths $48\frac{50}{100}$ per cent. were surgical cases, and $51\frac{50}{100}$ per cent. medical. The amount of cures out of the number discharged, including deaths, shows a proportion of $63\frac{50}{100}$ per cent. discharged cured, exclusive of about $20\frac{25}{100}$ per cent. more discharged as *relieved* for the time.

Of the cases under treatment in 1866, 1,231 were surgical, and 1,234 medical—being about 50 per cent. of each class. On all cases treated, deducting the 95 cases of sudden deaths, the proportion of

deaths was about $2\frac{25}{100}$ of surgical to about 15 per cent. of medical cases. The increased proportion of deaths of medical patients was due partly to the largely increased proportion of sick seamen arriving from Southern ports, and the large number of patients admitted during the month of July suffering from sunstroke; the majority of whom were in a helpless condition when brought to the Hospital. Of the 1,231 surgical cases of the last year 532 were from injuries arising from sudden casualties.

An analysis hereto annexed sets forth, in tabular form, the operations of the Hospital in respect to these several classes of patients, and also to other matters of interest. (See page 32.)

The Hospital Library, now rich in its special department, contains 7,717 volumes, of which 93 have been added during the past year. The Governors recommend this library to the public as an excellent depository for the preservation of all reports, statistics, pamphlets, &c., on medical subjects, or relating to the public health.

The Pathological Cabinet, now well arranged in a spacious and commodious out-building, continues to receive the fostering care of the Governors. Formed from the remarkable cases of morbid anatomy which occurred in the practice of the Hospital, and receiving additions from other sources, it has increased regularly and rapidly in extent, variety, and value, for the purposes of science and professional instruction, and is consulted with great advantage. It is under the immediate care of a curator, and the several physicians who have successively filled that place have each left memorials of skill and fidelity.

The Board of Governors record with becoming sense of their loss, the death, during the past year, of Joseph Walker and Thomas B.

Stillman, for many years identified with the management of this Institution, and of Joseph M. Smith, M. D., for a period of thirty-eight years, up to the date of his decease, one of the attending physicians to the Hospital. No one of the eminent physicians who preceded Doctor Smith in the office of attending physician was his superior in those elements of personal character which constitute the Christian gentleman and practitioner. His sound medical judgment and eminent professional acquirements were always faithfully and zealously devoted to the service of the Hospital.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM FOR THE INSANE.

The management of the Asylum is vested in a committee of six Governors annually appointed by the Board.

The number of insane patients in the Asylum, on the 31st day of December, 1865, was one hundred and seventy-one, and there have been admitted during the year one hundred and thirty-two, making a total of three hundred and three patients during the past year.

Of the number under treatment, one hundred and thirty-nine were males, and one hundred and sixty-four females.

Of the cases discharged during the year there were—

Recovered	66
Improved	33
Not improved	12
Died	24
Remaining 31st December, 1866	168
	303

The Asylum continues to be administered upon that system of classification and separation, and of moral and medical treatment, of which it gave one of the earliest examples on this side of the Atlantic. This system, now general in all similar institutions of the higher order, has here received, and continues to receive, all those improvements which the many skilful and humane persons at the head of similar establishments in this country and in Europe are constantly presenting or suggesting for the relief of mental disease.

The statistics for the year show the proportion of cases cured and relieved. But such statistics do not, like those of Hospitals for bodily maladies, present, by their rate of cures to cases, a perfectly accurate view of the efficiency of the administration, even when taking into the estimate, as must also be done in Hospitals, the peculiar forms and comparative severity of disease.

In any Asylum the *cures* can seldom be pronounced upon with decided certainty, whilst discharges and removals often occur from causes wholly unconnected with the personal condition of the patient —such as want of pecuniary means, desire for change, hope of benefit from restoration to the patient's home, the temporary subsidence of a periodical excitement of disease, or inabilty on the part of friends to resist the earnest solicitations of the patient. These estimates and statistics are, therefore, given, as in former years, as a useful and probable approximation, showing the general results of practice, and making an annual contribution of value to the statistics of mental disease.

Dr. D. Tilden Brown, the chief physician, still continues to discharge the duties of his office to the unqualified satisfaction of the Asylum Committee and the Board, and his annual report, hereto

annexed (see page 15), is not only a valuable contribution to the history of the Asylum, but contains suggestions of great practical importance in view of the prospective necessity of a change of location of the Asylum buildings.

Dr. Charles Corey, Junior, for many years the efficient assistant physician to the Asylum, resigned in the month of June last, to assume the duties of a general practitioner; and was succeeded by Doctor Horace K. Wheeler, formerly assistant physician to the Lunatic Asylum at Flatbush.

Annexed to this report are statements showing the general disbursements of the Asylum for the current year ending December 31, 1866, and a statistical history of the Asylum since it was devoted to private patients only. (See page 26.)

The Governors of the Society of the New York Hospital cannot close their present report without again pressing upon the consideration of the Legislature the views submitted at the end of their last Annual Report. Without the renewal of the annual bounty which they have received from the State for many years, they will be compelled to contract the utility of the institution to a much narrower sphere than at present, and to exclude many who, suffering from some of the severest bodily calamities, are now received willingly and relieved efficiently, without charge, or at a rate of payment much below the actual cost of their support and treatment. The statement in a former part of the Report of the proportion of patients gratuitously treated, does not afford a correct measure of the gratuitous treatment of patients admitted to the Hospital, inasmuch as the cost of each patient is much in excess of the highest rate of board received. It is a constant source of regret to the Governors that their restricted means compel them to deny these

valuable privileges to any who ought to enjoy them, and they have not been indifferent, during the past year, to their obligations to devise and adopt such measures as will not only relieve this Corporation from present and continued financial embarrassment, but will insure the largest practicable extension of its beneficent work. The Board have thus far been unable to decide upon any definite policy; involving, as probably it must, a change of location, and possibly a radical change of internal administration. Whatever plan of relief and extension of charitable operation may be ultimately decided upon, some time must elapse before it could be carried into practical operation; and meanwhile the Board must depend upon private and public liberality for the means of support.

The Board of Governors recall, with grateful appreciation, the liberal and wise legislation, and sustaining care of the Colonial and State legislatures from the foundation of this Hospital, in 1771, and ask your honorable body to grant to the Society of the New York Hospital an annual donation of twenty thousand dollars, in order that they may be enabled, as heretofore, to extend to the unfortunate but respectable poor of the State and City of New York that medical and surgical relief of which they may stand in need, and which they have received from this institution for upwards of seventy years without fee or reward to those who have managed the affairs of this Corporation, or to those skilful and learned men who have filled the offices of physicians and surgeons.

GEORGE T. TRIMBLE,
President.

D. COLDEN MURRAY,
Secretary.

NEW YORK, *February 19th*, 1867.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM REPORT.

Asylum Committee.

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HORACE K. WHEELER, Asst. Physician.
WM. GORDON VERPLANCK, Warden
ELIZABETH L. CLAPP, Matron.
REV. THOMAS M. PETERS, Chaplain.

YEARLY REPORT FOR 1866.

TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE
NEW YORK HOSPITAL.

GENTLEMEN: In accordance with the regulations of your Board, the general operations of the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane, for the year 1866, are presented in the following table:

	Males.	Females.	Total.
The number of patients in the Asylum on January 1, 1866	79	92	171
Admitted since to January 1, 1867	60	72	132
Total during 1866	139	164	303
Of these were discharged, recovered	32	34	66
" " " improved	17	16	33
" " " not improved	5	7	12
Died	10	14	24
Total number discharged and died	64	71	135
Remaining December 31, 1866	75	93	168
Average number during the year			163

Of the patients discharged "improved" several were already convalescent, and became quite well subsequently.

The deaths were attributable to pulmonary consumption in two cases, to general paralysis in five, to apoplexy in two, to puerperal mania in four, to pneumonia in one, to disease of the heart in one, to acute disease of the brain in four, and to the infirmities of old age in three.

It will be remembered that during the last summer cholera prevailed in New York city and in many public institutions of the vicinity, in such degree as to cause very general anxiety throughout the community. In the neighboring village of Manhattanville there occurred numerous cases of the disease, and a general tendency to lighter affections of a similar character. The Asylum household, however, enjoyed entire exemption from cholera and the severer forms of intestinal disorders, and the general health of the patients was as good as usual throughout the year.

The usual routine of Asylum life has been unmarked by any incident deserving special commemoration here, but I venture to express some thoughts suggested by the recent resolve of your Board, appointing a committee to seek an appropriate site for the eventual location of this Institution, beyond the city limits. This proceeding is, in my judgment, most timely and judicious. The decision of the Central Park Commissioners to run the new Boulevard upon the Eleventh avenue, bordering upon the longest side of the Asylum property, has a most important bearing upon a question which had frequently presented itself hitherto, though in less pressing urgency than now. Heretofore no such great avenue and public pleasure-drive as the proposed Boulevard was contemplated, and our appre-

hensions of city improvements had reference mainly to the prospective but probably remote opening of cross-streets through our premises. The new road is almost certain to be commenced within a year, and to be carried through with energy. It will very largely increase the real value of this property, but will render it less eligible for its present uses, by exposing it to a thronged public thoroughfare. A stone or brick wall around the premises would exclude trespassers and serve as a partial screen. But the families of many of our best patients would probably feel great reluctance to visit their relatives in so conspicuous a situation, especially if the entrance were on the Boulevard. The new avenue would be but one hundred and twenty feet west of our Men's Lodge, in which the most disturbed male patients are domiciled. This proximity should induce the abandonment of the lodge for its present uses; and unless the whole Asylum were thereafter devoted to females alone, new buildings should be constructed as a male department, south of the present main building, and at a right angle to it. The cost of erecting such department and the enclosing wall around the premises would be so great as to seem wholly inexpedient in view of the brief period for which this building, even as thus altered, could continue to be used for the insane.

Eight years ago I recommended to the Governors the construction of a new wing for female patients, and the introduction of steam heating and gas illumination throughout the Institution, even though we should not remain here more than fifteen years. The wing was built and gas was laid on, and I am confident that the resulting satisfaction and improvement in the character and reputation of the Asylum has amply compensated for the outlay. A similar wing on the male side of the house would improve the classification and

comfort of patients incalculably; but in my opinion the cost would not be justifiable, for the same reasons which apply to the larger scheme already mentioned.

It now seems probable that the shortest term, which eight years ago appeared to me to warrant the improvements then made, will prove to be full as long as it will be expedient to retain the Asylum on this spot. It is certainly remarkable, that the very time when this exigency would be likely to arise, and when the Governors would deem it necessary to seek another location for their Asylum, should have been almost precisely foretold by the Committee which selected the present location fifty years ago. At a meeting of the Governors of the New York Hospital, held June 4, 1816, Mr. Thomas Eddy, the Chairman of that Committee, made a lengthy report respecting various sites which they had been directed to examine subsequently to their recommendation of this place, because of an apprehension on the part of certain Governors, that "the land at Bloomingdale" was too remote from the city. In this report the Committee unanimously adhere to their previous judgment, and say that within forty years from that time "it will be rather wished that the establishment was at a greater distance, than that it should have been placed nearer the present centre of population."

The verification, which time has given to this prediction may very properly suggest a corresponding foresight in those charged with a similar duty to that which was so admirably executed by their predecessors half a century ago.

In imitation of their reasoning and action, it would probably be wise to procure a location—

First.—Where the Institution can remain undisturbed by any large settlement for at least another fifty years.

Secondly.—The area of land should be so ample that not less than fifty acres may be appropriated as exercising ground, for each sex, leaving a liberal allowance for gardening and farming purposes, and, beyond this, a still further extension for eventually forming long walks, and a drive on the Asylum property itself.

Thirdly.—The site should be within a short distance and easy access from some existing settlement or village having a railroad station. While a certain measure of retirement is necessary for privacy, actual solitude is to be avoided as being oppressive, alike to patients and employees. This last class of persons must be remembered as forming a portion of the Asylum household, on whom much of its ability and favorable influences depend. They must be kept contented and cheerful, so far as this can be done, by reasonable and proper privileges; and it is obvious that this cannot be done if they are too far or too long isolated from the outer world. An Asylum is also in almost daily need of communication with various small tradesmen, and with a post office; and all classes of its servitors, as well as some of the patients, reasonably desire to be within convenient walking distance of their respective places of public worship. It may, therefore, be said that the nearer the grounds approach a moderately sized settlement, the better it is for an Institution, provided they be sufficiently spacious to insure the requisite degree of privacy.

Fourthly.—An unfailing supply of good water, yielding not less than ten thousand gallons per day, even in dry seasons, is an indispensable requisite of any suitable site.

Fifthly.—The character of the site best adapted to an Institution for the insane, must depend, in some measure, upon that of the Institution itself; upon the class of patients for whom it is intended; upon their previous modes of life, and their requirements even in a state of mental disease. While a State legislature or municipal council might deem it proper and obligatory to prefer an inexpensive location, to a more costly one possessing manifestly greater advantages, it cannot be supposed that such views would govern the managers of an Institution like this. It can scarcely be too strong an expression to use, to say that no place can be considered too beautiful or too valuable for the temporary refuge or permanent home of insane persons, accustomed to the higher comforts and luxuries enjoyed by many of our patients when in health.

As bearing upon this division of the subject, as well as upon that of the site itself, the history of the policy and proceedings of the earlier Governors of this Institution is most interesting and edifying. These large-minded men, providentially called to a most responsible duty, were not less remarkable for their benevolence and practical philanthropy, than for the sagacity visible in all their reasoning and anticipations respecting the important work which they undertook, without the advantage of precedent example and experience elsewhere. At that time no institution in this country could claim to offer any such retreat for the insane as these gentlemen contemplated. Their views were far in advance of any before promulgated in this or any other country, for though they were partially inspired by what Dr. Tuke and his associate friends had previously accomplished at York in England, they did not limit their plans simply to an effort for the mitigation of the old-time discomforts of the insane. They recognized the importance of rendering

their proposed Institution attractive in its exterior, as well as commodious and comfortable within. Hence their Committee recommended, May 15, 1818, that "the new building should be made to resemble a palace rather than a gaol, as by that means it will draw the wealthiest patients in the United States." Concurring in the views of their Committee, the Board of Governors decided to use marble for the exterior walls of the building, and contracts were made to that effect. The contractor failing in his engagement, the Committee recommended the substitution of hewn free-stone as less expensive than marble, and yet as insuring such a style of construction as the Board had approved. From the time of its completion to the present day, the building erected by a Board of Governors, comprising such men as Matthew Clarkson, Peter A. Jay, Robert Bowne, Cadwalader D. Colden, Najah Taylor, George Newbold, and their associates, has been the admiration of their successors, and of all others who can appreciate a noble design and admirable workmanship.

It may truly be said of the Bloomingdale Asylum, when first opened for patients, as has been said of the New York City Hall, that, "considering the period at which it was erected, it was an architecural marvel and an inspiration."

The City Hall preceded the Asylum but a few years, and if the excellence of the first is to be ascribed to the fact that such enlightened men as Edward Livingston and De Witt Clinton graced the mayoralty of that period, we may similarly conclude that the Asylum—which resembles the other in many of its features, as well as in its solidity—is what it still is, because Thomas Eddy, Thomas Buckley, and Thomas C. Taylor gave their unremitting personal

attention to the preparation of its plans and the execution of the work. That the anticipations of the founders of the Asylum were fully verified by its subsequent history, its official records plainly show. It soon numbered among its residents persons of wealth and of the highest social position from all parts of the country, and it attained a preëminence in its sphere which was not lost until its excellence was equalled elsewhere, by similar provision for the insane.

The term of usefulness which its designers assigned to it, even before its foundations were laid, is nearly completed; and the correctness of their prediction is unconsciously recognized in the recent resolution of their successors. The Asylum was opened for the reception of patients in June, 1821. In four years from the present time it will have completed a half century of service, as a shelter for diseased minds; and yet its first built division, still worthily called "the main building," may be profitably studied by those who may be called to prepare its future substitute.

In considering what should be the character of the new Asylum, which the Governors of the New York Hospital must feel themselves constrained to create before many years elapse, it has long seemed to me that there are two most important objects which might be subserved, with equal benefit to the Institution and to two classes of insane persons very inadequately provided for in existing establishments. I mean, first, the wealthy; and, secondly, indigent persons of superior respectability and personal refinement. At present many of the former class are either kept at home, or placed in small private Asylums, under the supposition that they will have better care or be less exposed to observation than in an Institution

like ours. This is an erroneous idea, and yet it will certainly extend, unless arrested by the superior attractions and merits of well-organized, well-furnished, and well-conducted chartered Institutions. In Boston and Philadelphia no such private houses have been opened as yet, because the Institutions corresponding to our own have supplied the wants of the wealthy as well as of the less prosperous. The "Appleton buildings" of the McLean Asylum, near Boston, are arranged for eight patients each, and have no equal in any country, I believe. Each patient may have a parlor, bedroom, and bathroom, besides the use of other rooms in common with all. The furniture and service is such as is desired. The charges for board are correspondingly high, and the resulting profit to the Institution is applied to the support of worthy indigent patients. It is but just to state that these buildings were not erected by the society of the Hospital, but with the munificent gift of one of its Trustees. The Pennsylvania Hospital for the Insane, at Philadelphia, has a less luxurious but very satisfactory class of apartments; and at Baltimore, the Sheppard Asylum, now building, will have some advantages over either. I do not perceive how a similar class of accommodations can be reasonably hoped for near New York, unless the Governors of this Institution provide them.

The *second* class of patients whom this Institution might benefit incalculably, are those of good family connections, or of cultivated minds and refined habits of life, whose means are insufficient to meet our average rates of board. Formerly the Asylum admitted at a very moderate charge, a fair proportion of such patients, who would otherwise have become incurable at home, or must have gone to a State or County Institution as paupers. For a few years past, however, the high cost of living has made it necessary to charge

even these cases, rates which are either exceedingly burdensome to the applicants or altogether beyond their means. The new State Asylum, soon to be built at Poughkeepsie, will receive a portion of these cases at prices which they can pay; but there will still remain numerous instances of mental disease having special claims on our sympathy. Such cases will occur in the families of clergymen, and other professional persons; among teachers and business men who have experienced reverses, which often cause insanity, and also among dependent unmarried females. Some of the Governors, who have themselves supplied the means to support persons of these classes here, need no other confirmation of the reality of the distressing cases thus classified. If this Institution possessed a fund for the assistance of such persons, it would find many a worthy object for relief, and would accomplish a measure of good not excelled by any general hospital for the sick. It is not creditable to New York, so amply provided with almost every other mode of charitable relief, that it should offer such inadequate assistance to the respectable indigent insane.

The Pennsylvania Hospital, at Philadelphia, corresponding exactly to the Bloomingdale Asylum, has for many years received and supported gratuitously, forty such patients, twenty of each sex; the particular individuals being known only to the managers and higher officers. "The Sheppard Asylum," near Baltimore, will admit a still larger number of such cases, and will be the most beneficent institution of its kind in the country. Its founder bequeathed more than half a million of dollars to build and support an institution for the insane, and its Trustees have appropriated the annual interest only; first, to the construction of the building, and, secondly, to the future support of indigent patients and the general improvement of

the Institution and grounds. It will also receive self-supporting patients, who will prefer it to others in that region, for the very reason that it will be able to supply their requirements.

I have dwelt at such length upon this topic, partly because, as above stated, the character of a projected Asylum may justly affect the selection of a site, and partly because I feel that New York, instead of being foremost, as it should be, in this department of philanthropy, is quite behind other smaller cities. The general hospital accommodations for its sick poor are generous and admirable, and it is even now preparing to add to them three more similar charities, in the "Woman's Hospital," the "German Hospital," and the "Roosevelt Hospital."

But for the insane of the two classes I have named, its citizens have done so little that one class is left mainly to private enterprise, without the protection of any disinterested supervision, while the other is too often compelled to forego all the benefits of hospital treatment, rather than accept that offered by the City Asylum on Blackwell's Island.

In reflecting upon the possible opportunity which the future may present to the Governors of this Institution to remedy both these deficiencies, I trust the circumstance which has induced this communication may excuse the earnestness of the appeal it contains. The ideal which may be formed of your future Asylum will necessarily influence the secondary proposition, and it is not premature to consider this fact at so early a day.

Hoping and believing that both the excellence and usefulness of your Asylum are not only to be maintained unimpaired after the

prospective removal, but that they will be raised to a yet higher standard, I trust the location to be chosen for it will be worthy of the building which should adorn it, and that both may reflect new honor upon the Board of Governors of the New York Hospital and Bloomingdale Asylum.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

D. T. Brown.

January 1*st*, 1867.

Accounts of General Disbursements of the Bloomingdale Asylum from January 1*st*, 1866, *to December* 31*st*, 1866.

ARTICLES OF FOOD.

Fish, Clams, Oysters	$2,288
Beef, Mutton, Pork, Veal	17,469
Poultry	1,026
Eggs	873
Flour, Meal, Buckwheat, Crackers	3,665
Hams, Smoked Beef	926
Rice, Barley, Tapioca, Farina, Beans	599
Butter	5,810
Cheese	334
Coffee, Cocoa, Chocolate	587
Tea	1,101
Crushed Sugar	1,102
Coffee Sugar	1,687
Syrup, Molasses	267
Fruit, green and dried	1,570
Salt, Spices, Sweet Oil	283
Vinegar	110
Lard	139
Milk	253
Potatoes	1,170
Ice	60
	$41,319

SUNDRIES.

Repairs and Improvements	$478
Furnace Castings, Pipe, &c.	481
Blacksmithing and Horseshoeing	360
Plumbing	985
Tin, Copper Ware, and Work	452
	$2,756

SUNDRIES—Continued.

Amount brought forward	$2,756
Gas and Kerosene	1,193
Return Money	2,185
Newspapers, Books, &c.	426
Coach Hire	469
Printing, Stationery, Bookbinding	187
Hardware, Cutlery, &c.	916
Medicines	648
Liquors	630
Soap and Material	617
Oats, Ground Feed, Grain	949
Clothing	6,814
Salaries	5,688
Wages	17,015
Dry Goods, Blankets	1,222
Lumber, Lime, Brick	777
Paints, Oil, Painting	805
Furniture	2,522
Crockery	705
Coal, Charcoal	6,486
Starch, Indigo	122
Straw	371
Span of Horses and Wagon	1,250
Brooms, Brushes, Mats, Wooden Ware	292
House Cleaning	264
Water Rate	75
Seeds, Agricultural Implements, &c.	128
Contingencies	76
	$55,714

The following table exhibits the history of the Asylum since it was devoted to private patients only.

YEAR.	Admitted.	Whole number during the year.	Whole number discharged and died.	Recovered.	Improved.	Not Improved.	Died.	Remaining at end of year.	Average number.
1849	95	214	111	44	33	13	21	103	112
1850	97	200	90	40	15	7	18	110	110
1851	95	205	83	43	20	9	11	122	114
1852	104	226	107	47	25	15	18	119	117
1853	135	254	130	49	27	32	22	124	133
1854	122	246	119	48	29	16	26	127	126
1855	107	234	107	52	13	23	19	127	127
1856	134	261	117	54	27	17	19	144	140
1857	128	272	126	49	37	25	15	146	141
1858	112	258	113	34	34	34	11	145	146
1859	138	283	131	55	32	26	18	152	152
1860	150	302	147	50	46	22	29	155	159
1861	111	266	115	42	36	18	19	151	154
1862	117	268	111	48	24	19	20	157	148
1863	115	272	130	53	47	16	14	142	151
1864	140	281	111	52	30	12	17	170	162
1865	152	323	152	66	36	22	28	171	176
1866	132	303	135	66	33	12	24	168	163

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR 1866.

The Committee appointed in obedience to the By-Laws to audit the accounts of the Hospital, and to make an inventory of all the real and personal estate belonging to the Corporation, and a schedule of all the deeds, &c., in custody of the Treasurer, and a general statement of all the accounts, report as follows :

The receipts for the New York Hospital during the past year have been :

Board of Seamen	$48,832 73	
Board of pay-patients	27,363 85	
Articles sold	549 25	
		$76,745 83

And there have been paid during the year :

House expenses	$63,366 54
Wages	16,416 36
Night nursing	1,084 00
Repairs, $2,095 48 ; Furniture, $504 52	2,600 00
Gas-light, $2,826 35 ; Library, $424 00	3,250 35
Burials, $549 52 ; Pathological Cabinet, $364 75.	914 27
Plumbing and Engineer's Department	1,058 55
Liquors and Wines, $2,998 57 ; Porter, $709 50.	3,708 07
Medicines, $3,056 87 ; Leeches, $59	3,115 87
Apothecary shop for alcohol, lint, bandages, adhesive plaster, &c	2,154 30

Surgical instruments, oiled silk, muslin, India-rubber cloth, &c	599 56	
		98,267 87
Payments over Receipts for the New York Hospital in 1866 were		$21,522 04

The receipts of the Bloomingdale Asylum during the year 1866 *were:*

Board of patients	$98,836 06	
Articles sold	515 09	
		$99,351 15

The payments for the same period have been:

House expenses	$66,110 63	
Wages	22,523 68	
Repairs	203 72	
Clothing	6,813 04	
		95,651 07
Excess of receipts over payments for the Asylum in 1866		$3,700 08

The total receipts of the Institution for the year, as above	$176,096 98	
The total expenditure of the Institution for the same time	193,918 94	
Excess of expenditure over receipts for the year,		$17,821 96

The Receipts and Payments of the Institution from all sources, during the year 1866, *have been:*

Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, December 31, 1865.....	$483 60	Balance due Bank of Commerce December 31, 1865.....	$27,084 10
Balance in hands of Warden of Asylum, December 31, 1865.	150 00	Paid on account of support of New York Hospital.....	98,267 87
Received on account of the New York Hospital.....	76,745 83	Paid on account of support of Bloomingdale Asylum....	95,651 07
Received on account of Bloomingdale Asylum	99,351 15	Paid interest on bonds, to Bank for Savings	4,200 00
Received, Interest...	44 25	Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, Dec. 31, 1866.....	1,333 68
" rent of N'th building.	1,686 66		
" donations	4,869 55		
" grant from the State of New York for 1864.....	15,000 00		
Received grant from the State of New York for 1865.....	12,000 00		
Balance due Bank of Commerce December 31, 1866.....	16,205 68		
	$226,536 72		$226,536 72

The Committee have examined all the accounts referred to them, and have found them correct; they are herewith presented.

For a schedule of deeds, bonds, etc., the Committee beg to refer to the Treasurer.

SHEPPARD GANDY,
GEORGE CABOT WARD,
JAS. B. JOHNSTON. } *Committee.*

New York Hospital, *January* 16, 1867.

GENERAL EXPENSES OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL

FOR THE YEAR 1866.

House Expenses.							
Beef	121,531 lbs.	$18,097	89	Amt. brought forward			$63,366 54
Mutton and Veal	31,851 "	4,408	56	Repairs	$2,095 48		
Pork		531	88	Furniture	504 52		
Meal		304	96	Gas Light	2,826 35		
Rice		201	99	Library	424 00		
Butter	10,706 lbs.	4 640	47	Burials	549 52		
Cheese		27	79	Pathological Cabinet	364 75		
Coffee	3,797 lbs.	1,065	11	Plumbing and Boiler Repairs	1,058 55		
Tea	835 "	886	21				$7,823 17
Sugar	15,108 "	2,217	91				
Flour	389 bbls.	4,746	46	Wages.			
Molasses	139 gals.	78	20				
Potatoes	396 bbls.	1,257	87	Superintendent	$1,250 00		
Oil	77½ gals.	171	90	Assist't Superintendent	158 00		
Wood		405	50	Matron	291 60		
Coal	1,092 tons	10,039	67	Clerk	800 00		
Vinegar		24	97	Chaplain	350 00		
Hard Soap	2,420 lbs.	319	28	Apothecary	1,000 00		
Soft Soap		129	88	Librarian	250 00		
Milk	49,602 qts.	4,149	95	Engineers, Nurses, and Servants	12,316 76		
Candles		106	72	Night Nursing	1,084 00		
Salt		63	00				$17,500 36
Yeast and Hops		31	94				
Spices		137	02				
Bedding		1,900	06				
Ice		596	01	Medicines and Surgery.			
Printing		414	41				
Poultry		670	29	Liquors and Wines	$2,998 57		
Fish		1,082	89	Porter	709 50		
Eggs		998	69	Leeches	59 00		
Vegetables		943	80	Medicines	3.056 87		
Fruit		321	59	Apothecary Shop	2,151 30		
Crackers		56	80	Instruments	599 56		
Starch		60	30				$9,577 80
Straw		220	76				$98,267 87
Lumber		118	91				
Earthenware		199	55				
Tinware		478	68				
Woodenware		344	84				
Hardware		251	89				
Cartage		167	13				
Postage		4	70				
Stationery		412	67				
Carriage hire		47	14				
		$63,366	54				

TABULAR ANALYSIS.

There were in the house on the 1st of January, 1866	243	patients.
" Received during the year	2,402	"
Total treated	2,645	"
Discharged, including deaths	2,412	"
Remaining December 31st, 1866	233	"

Of those under treatment January 1st, 1865.

139	were seamen.	
96	" pay-patients.	
8	" non-paying patients.	
	Total	243

Of those admitted during the year—

1,186	were seamen.	
988	" pay-patients.	
227	" non-paying patients.	
	Total	2,402
Making the whole number treated, as above		2,645

Of the pay-patients, 326 became non-paying patients, and remained such during their continuance in the Hospital.

Of those remaining December 31st, 1866.

133	were seamen.	
83	" pay-patients.	
17	" non-paying patients.	
	Total	233

The foregoing statement shows the following results, viz.:

1,325	seamen have been under treatment, equal to	7,409 weeks.
1,085	pay-patients " " " "	3,564 "
235	non-paying patients " " " "	953 "
2,645	patients treated, in the aggregate,	11,926 "

The time thus stated has been occupied by the several classes of patients thus:

$62\frac{15}{100}$ p	cent. by seamen.
$29\frac{85}{100}$ "	pay-patients.
$8\frac{00}{100}$ "	non-paying patients.

Average proportion out of the discharges (including deaths from casualties):

Cured, per cent	$63\frac{50}{100}$
Relieved	$20\frac{25}{100}$
Request	$2\frac{50}{100}$
Disorderly, or eloped	$\frac{75}{100}$
Improper objects	$1\frac{25}{100}$
Of death, including deaths from accidents, &c.	$11\frac{75}{100}$
" excluding " " " falling under the charge of the Coroner	$7\frac{75}{100}$

The average daily number in the house has been 226.

REPORT OF THE DISEASES AND THEIR RESULTS

Coincident with the Admissions and Discharges of the New York Hospital during the Year 1866.

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1865.	Admitted during 1866.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Eloped.	Improper Objects.	Died.	Total.	Remaining Dec. 31, 1866.
Abscesses	8	55	63	37	15	1	..	1	6	60	3
Abortion	..	2	2	2	..	..	..		..	2	..
Adenitis	..	4	4	3	1	..	..		..	4	..
Albuminuria, or Bright's Disease of Kidneys	4	42	46	2	17	..	..	..	21	40	6
Amenorrhœa	..	3	3	1	1	1	..	..	..	3	..
Anchylosis	2	1	3	2	..	1	..	..	..	3	..
Anasarca	..	3	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	1
Aneurism, Femoral	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
" Thoracic Aorta	..	3	3	..	..	1	..	..	2	3	..
" Abdominal Aorta	..	2	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	2	..
" Arteria Innominata	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
" Popliteal	..	3	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	1
" Iliac	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
" Rupture of	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Anthrax	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Apoplexy	1	3	4	..	..	..	..	..	4	4	..
Ascites	..	4	4	2	1	..	..	..	..	3	1
Asphyxia	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..
Bladder, Rupture of	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Brain, Concussion of	..	28	28	15	5	..	..	..	7	27	1
" Congestion	..	4	4	1	..	..	..	..	3	4	..
" Inflammation	..	2	2	1	..	..	..	..	1	2	..
Bronchitis, Acute	4	21	25	15	5	..	..	..	..	20	5
" Chronic	..	5	5	1	3	..	..	..	..	4	1
Burns	1	35	36	17	6	..	..	..	11	34	2
Calculus Vesicæ	..	3	3	2	..	1	..	..	..	3	..
Cancer	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
" of Stomach	..	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	..
" Liver	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
" Mammæ	..	2	2	1	..	..	..	..	1	2	..
" Penis	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
" Omentum	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Cephalalgia	1	8	9	8	..	..	..	..	..	8	1
Cerebro Spinal Meningitis	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..
Cholera	..	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	..
Cholera Morbus	..	7	7	6	..	..	..	..	1	7	..
Carried forward	21	260	281	124	55	6	..	1	73	259	22

REPORT OF DISEASES, &c.—*Continued.*

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1865.	Admitted during 1866.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Eloped.	Improper Objects.	Died.	Total.	Remaining Dec. 31, 1866.
Brought forward	21	260	281	124	55	6	..	1	73	259	22
Cirrhosis of Liver	..	4	4	..	..	1	..	..	3	4	..
Colica	..	3	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	..
" Pictonum	..	3	3	1	1	..	1	..	..	3	..
Condylomata	1	2	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	..
Constipation	..	10	10	8	2	..	..	..	..	10	..
Contusions	3	32	35	28	7	..	..	..	..	35	..
Convulsions	..	6	6	6	..	..	..	..	..	6	..
Cystitis	..	2	2	1	..	..	..	..	1	2	..
Cynanche	..	2	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..
Debilitas	1	27	28	19	2	2	1	..	2	26	2
Delirium Tremens	1	21	22	21	..	..	..	..	1	22	..
Diarrhœa, Acute	..	10	10	5	1	..	1	..	2	9	1
" Chronic	7	19	26	10	9	..	1	..	4	24	2
Dislocation of Clavicle	..	2	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..
" Shoulder	..	3	3	2	..	..	1	..	..	3	..
" Elbow	..	3	3	2	1	..	..	..	..	3	..
" Thigh	..	2	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..
Diphtheria	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Dysentery, Acute	2	14	16	9	1	..	..	..	5	15	1
" Chronic	3	13	16	5	5	1	1	..	2	14	2
Dyspepsia	..	10	10	8	2	..	..	..	..	10	..
Ebrietas	2	57	59	50	2	3	..	..	2	57	2
Enlargement of Liver	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..
Epididymitis	2	14	16	9	6	..	1	..	..	16	..
Epistaxis	..	3	3	1	..	..	..	..	1	2	1
Epilepsy	..	3	3	1	1	..	..	..	1	3	..
Erysipelas	5	13	18	12	..	..	..	..	6	18	..
Eye, Diseases of	1	12	13	6	4	1	..	..	..	11	2
Febricula	..	17	17	7	2	..	..	..	..	9	8
Fever, Congestive	..	22	22	9	..	..	..	..	13	22	..
" Intermittent	7	122	129	109	6	..	1	..	..	116	13
" Remittent	2	124	126	111	7	2	..	..	2	122	4
" Typhus	3	24	27	17	..	..	..	..	9	26	1
" Typhoid	11	44	55	40	7	..	..	..	6	53	2
Fistula in Ano	..	6	6	4	1	..	..	..	..	5	1
Fracture of Cranium	3	8	11	1	1	..	..	..	9	11	..
" Os Innominata	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
" Ossa Nasi, Comp'd	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..
" Sup. Maxilla	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..
" Inf. "	2	3	5	2	2	..	1	..	..	5	..
" Clavicle	..	5	5	3	1	..	..	..	..	4	1
" Ribs	..	8	8	7	1	..	..	..	..	8	..
Carried forward	77	938	1015	650	131	17	9	1	112	950	65

REPORT OF DISEASES, &c.—*Continued.*

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1865.	Admitted during 1866.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Eloped.	Improper Objects	Died.	Total.	Remaining Dec. 31, 1866.
Brought forward	77	938	1015	650	131	17	9	1	142	950	65
Fracture of Patellæ	..	2	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..
" Pelvis	..	5	5	1	..	..	..	..	4	5	..
" Upper Ext's	11	30	41	26	4	..	1	.	2	33	8
" " " Comp'd.	..	19	19	14	2	1	..	..	2	19	..
" Lower "	17	86	103	73	5	1	1	..	4	84	19
" " " Comp'd.	..	35	35	11	5	..	..	..	16	32	3
" Vertebræ	..	6	6	..	..	..	..	..	6	6	..
Furuncule	..	4	4	3	1	..	..	..	..	4	..
Gangrene	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..
" of Lungs	..	2	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..
Gelationes	..	19	19	11	.	..	..	..	2	13	6
Gleet	1	11	12	7	2	2	..	..	..	11	1
Gonorrhœa	..	37	37	24	10	..	..	..	..	34	3
Hæmatemesis	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Hæmoptysis	..	2	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..
Heart, Disease of	1	15	16	1	5	3	..	..	6	15	1
Heat, Effects of	..	27	27	15	1	..	..	..	11	27	..
Hemiplegia	1	9	10	2	5	1	..	1	..	9	1
Hæmorrhoids	1	7	8	5	3	..	..	..	..	8	..
Hepatitis, A. and C.	..	4	4	..	.	1	..	..	3	4	.
Hernia, Strangulated	..	3	3	2	..	..	..	..	1	3	.
" Inguinal	.	4	4	3	..	1	..	..	..	4	..
Hydrocele	..	3	3	2	1	..	..	..	..	3	..
Hysteria	1	7	8	2	2	2	..	1	.	7	1
Inflammation	1	10	11	4	3	..	..	..	.	7	4
Injuries	4	61	65	40	12	..	1	..	7	60	5
Insanity	5	13	18	1	..	..	1	14	1	17	1
Iritis	1	2	3	1	2	..	..	..	.	3	..
Jaundice	1	1	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..
Laryngitis	..	2	2	1	1	..	..	..	..	2	..
Leucorrhœa	..	4	4	2	1	..	..	..	.	3	1
Malarial Cachexia	..	21	21	12	6	..	1	.	.	19	2
Malingering	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	.	1	.
Menorrhagia	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	.	1	..
Morbus Coxarius	1	6	7	1	3	.	..	1	1	6	1
Necrosis	5	16	21	6	6	4	..	.	1	17	4
Nephritis	..	2	2	.	1	..	..	..	.	1	1
Neuralgia	3	5	8	2	4	.	.	.	.	6	2
Oedema of Glottis	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	
Onychia	..	1	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
Orchitis	1	5	6	4	2	..	..	..	.	6	..
Oxaluria	..	1	1	1		..	..	..	.	1	..
Carried forward	132	1131	1563	934	223	33	11	18	212	1131	129

REPORT OF DISEASES, &c.—*Continued.*

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1865.	Admitted during 1866.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Eloped.	Improper Objects.	Died.	Total.	Remaining Dec. 31, 1866.
Brought forward	132	1431	1563	934	223	33	14	18	212	1434	129
Paralysis	4	9	13	6	3	1	..	..	..	10	3
" Agitans	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..
Paraplegia	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Paraphymosis	..	4	4	2	1	..	1	..	..	4	..
Paronychia	..	9	9	6	2	..	..	..	..	8	1
Parturition	..	3	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	..
Periostitis	3	3	6	4	2	..	..	..	..	6	..
Peritonitis	..	7	7	..	1	..	..	..	5	6	1
Phthisis	15	90	105	..	50	13	..	3	30	96	9
Pleuritis	1	15	16	8	3	..	..	..	1	12	4
Pneumonia	4	37	41	28	3	..	..	..	6	37	4
Pneumo Thorax	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Poison, by Opium	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..
" Strychnine	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Polypus Nasi	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..
Pyaemia	..	8	8	..	..	..	..	..	8	8	..
Rheumatism, Ac	7	84	91	62	16	1	..	..	..	79	12
" Ch	13	64	77	55	16	1	1	..	..	73	4
Scarlatina	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Sciatica	..	5	5	2	1	..	..	..	..	3	2
Scorbutus	..	13	14	4	3	..	..	..	..	7	6
Scrotum, Rupture of	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Skin, Disease of	1	27	28	16	4	1	2	1	..	24	4
Spermatorrhœa	..	2	2	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	..
Sprain	..	15	15	14	1	..	..	..	..	15	..
Synovitis	5	8	13	3	6	1	..	..	..	10	3
Syphilis, Primary	19	156	175	110	38	2	5	..	..	155	20
" Secondary	10	121	131	76	37	2	2	1	2	120	11
Talipes Valgus	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..
" Varus	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Tetanus	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Tenia Solium	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Tonsilitis	..	3	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	1
Tumors	..	12	12	7	2	1	..	..	..	10	2
" Ovarian	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Ulcers	12	83	95	70	14	3	1	..	..	88	7
" Varicose	..	7	7	4	2	..	..	..	..	6	1
Uraemia	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Urethra, Calculus of	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
" Stricture of	4	27	31	13	14	1	1	..	..	29	2
Urethritis	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..
Urine, Retention of	..	11	11	7	3	..	..	..	1	11	..
Carried forward	230	2271	2502	1112	417	62	29	23	272	2275	226

REPORT OF DISEASES, &c.—*Continued.*

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1865.	Admitted during 1866.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Eloped.	Improper Objects.	Died.	Total.	Remaining Dec. 31, 1866.
Brought forward	230	2271	2502	1442	447	62	29	23	272	2275	226
Urine, Extravasation of	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Varicocele	2	2	4	2	..	1	..	..	1	4	..
Wounds, Punctured	..	10	10	7	..	..	..	..	2	9	1
" Incised	1	26	27	21	5	..	..	..	1	27	..
" Contused	1	15	16	7	5	..	1	..	..	13	3
" Lacerated	3	31	34	26	4	..	1	..	1	32	2
" Gunshot	3	19	22	12	5	..	..	..	4	21	1
" Upper Extremities	..	2	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..
" Lower Extremities	1	2	3	2	..	..	..	..	1	3	..
" Head and Neck	2	22	24	14	9	..	..	..	..	23	1
" Chest	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
	243	2402	2646	1536	475	63	31	23	283	2411	234

NATIVITY OF PATIENTS.

United States	796	East Indies	1
British America	44	Italy	18
West Indies	14	Norway	38
England	151	Prussia	29
Scotland	49	Spain	2
Wales	5	Sweden	93
Ireland	717	Switzerland	6
Denmark	33	Russia	16
France	40		
Germany	332	Total	2411
Holland	14		

STATEMENT OF PATIENTS ADMITTED INTO AND DISCHARGED FROM THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL.

From 31st December, 1829, to 31st December, 1866.

	Year.	Total Admitted.	Total Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Improper Objects.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Died.
Remaining 31st December..	1829	191				..	..	..
Admitted during	1830	1690	1258	101	126	20	38	150
" "	1831	1870	1381	112	139	29	18	159
" "	1832	1763	1388	94	70	65	20	165
" "	1833	1852	1396	108	102	68	30	146
" "	1834	1721	1266	69	154	32	46	174
" "	1835	1837	1431	72	101	14	25	169
" "	1836	1987	1503	122	101	15	25	197
" "	1837	1769	1305	140	121	24	15	191
" "	1838	1774	1357	155	93	8	22	149
" "	1839	1864	1403	146	77	44	29	169
" "	1840	1797	1317	111	120	18	45	173
" "	1841	2000	1501	84	163	26	40	193
" "	1842	1926	1440	83	141	33	71	150
" "	1843	1902	1239	133	215	44	71	170
" "	1844	2191	1528	134	216	47	114	155
" "	1845	2745	1993	117	230	46	124	216
" "	1846	2699	1838	210	141	40	122	245
" "	1847	3715	2624	233	192	48	108	402
" "	1848	3266	2507	145	145	40	92	372
" "	1849	3329	2589	139	126	10	93	331
" "	1850	3015	2394	108	101	17	88	357
" "	1851	3715	2796	157	139	41	80	422
" "	1852	3576	2862	116	129	41	85	353
" "	1853	3526	2832	107	87	30	78	401
" "	1854	3420	2323	491	192	30	11	372
" "	1855	2623	1951	270	90	13	63	290
" "	1856	3048	2085	374	149	23	66	291
" "	1857	2632	1943	282	115	11	61	277
" "	1858	2222	1506	294	92	25	28	274
" "	1859	2582	1771	269	170	13	60	315
" "	1860	2867	1971	540	100	23	64	316
" "	1861	3343	2483	474	...	52	45	309
" "	1862	3937	2724	512	63	34	119	400
" "	1863	2801	1919	421	78	28	24	373
" "	1864	3036	1865	506	275	46	24	399
" "	1865	2912	1884	529	109	40	36	326
" "	1866	2402	1536	475	63	23	31	283
Total.		95575	69109	8433	4725	1166	3211	9834

REPORT OF THE STATE

OF THE

NEW YORK HOSPITAL

AND

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM,

FOR THE YEAR 1867.

New York:
D. VAN NOSTRAND, No. 192 BROADWAY.

1868.

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TO THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF NEW YORK.

THE GOVERNORS OF THE SOCIETY OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL RESPECTFULLY PRESENT THEIR ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE ESTABLISHMENTS UNDER THEIR CHARGE.

The following abstract statement shows the receipts and expenditures from all sources and on all accounts, under their respective heads, during the year 1867, all bills and demands for current expenses of the Hospital and Bloomingdale Asylum having been settled in full to the close of the year.

THE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS OF THE INSTITUTION, FROM ALL SOURCES,

DURING THE YEAR 1867 HAVE BEEN:

Balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital, December 31, 1866		$1,794	32	Paid on account of support of New York Hospital	$90,340	03
Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, December 31, 1866		1,333	68	Paid on account of support of Bloomingdale Asylum	100,708	19
Received on account of New York Hospital		67,393	38	Paid Interest on bonds to Bank for Savings	4,200	00
Received on account of Bloomingdale Asylum		109,833	25	Paid Insurance on Hospital	406	01
Received, Rent of North building		3,333	32	" " on Asylum	956	63
" Interest		96	32	" Taxes on Ninth Avenue Property	323	91
" Insurance refunded		82	08	New boilers in Engine-house	4,617	48
" from Harbor Master, for fines, &c.		193	46	Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, December 31, 1867	449	24
" Donations		5,500	00	Balance in the hands of the Warden of the Asylum, December 31, 1867	9	50
Balance due Bank of Commerce, December 31, 1867		12,451	18			
	$202,010	99			$202,010	99

The financial condition of this Corporation on the 31st December, 1867, stands thus, as compared with that on the 31st December, 1866.

On the 31st December, 1866, it stood thus:

Debt on Mortgage	$70,000 00	
" to Bank of Commerce	16,205 68	
		$86,205 68
Deduct balance in Bank of America to credit of Asylum		1,333 68
		$84,872 00

On 31st December, 1867:

Debt on Mortgage	$70,000 00	
" to Bank of Commerce, loan	18,000 00	
" " "	12,451 18	
		$100,451 18
Deduct balance in Bank of America to credit of Asylum	$449 24	
" " in hands of Warden of Asylum	9 50	
		458 74
		$99,992 44

Annexed to this report is the Report of the Committee on Accounts, showing the several items of receipts and disbursements of the Hospital and Asylum for the year 1867. (See page 17.)

The whole number of persons who received the benefits of the New York Hospital as medical or surgical patients during the year 1867 was 2,454. The average daily number has been 202.

The number of patients in the Hospital on the 31st of December, 1866, was 233, and there were admitted during the year 1867, 2,221.

Of this number there have been cured	1,532
Relieved	411
Request	56
Discharged as improper objects	20
Eloped, or discharged as disorderly	43
Died	171
	2,233
Remaining 31st December, 1867	221
Total treated	2,454

The total number of inquests held at the Hospital by the coroners during the year was 56, as against 95 during 1866.

From the following causes, viz.:

Railroad accidents	10
Falling from buildings and other injuries	17
Burns and scalds	2
Run over by stages and wagons	5
Stabs, gun-shot wounds, &c	4
Various other causes	18
Total	56

Deducting these 56 cases, as above, the number of other deaths was 115.

The practice of the Hospital during the year presents the following results: The number of weeks occupied by diseased seamen was $58\frac{25}{100}$ per cent. in proportion to the other classes, against $62\frac{15}{100}$ in the year 1866. Of the whole number of patients under actual treatment, $7\frac{50}{100}$ per cent. died; or, taking the ratio of mortality on all discharged, as is done in some similar statistics, $7\frac{00}{100}$ per cent.

died. Of the deaths, 30 per cent. were surgical cases, and 70 per cent. medical. The amount of cures out of the number discharged, including deaths, shows a proportion of 68 per cent. discharged cured, exclusive of about 19 per cent. more discharged as *relieved* for the time.

Of the cases under treatment in 1867, 1,289 were surgical, and 1,165 medical—being about 51 per cent. of the former to 49 per cent. of the latter. On all cases treated,deducting the 56 cases of sudden deaths, the proportion of deaths was about $1\frac{50}{100}$ of surgical to about 12 per cent. of medical cases. Of the 1,289 surgical cases of the last year, 438 were from injuries arising from sudden casualties.

An analysis hereto annexed sets forth, in tabular form, the operations of the Hospital in respect to these several classes of patients, and also to other matters of interest. (See page 21.)

The Hospital Library and Pathological Cabinet continue to receive the fostering care of the Governors. The Library contains 7,788 volumes, of which 71 have been added during the past year; and the Pathological Cabinet has increased in extent, variety, and value.

The number of insane patients in the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane on the 31st day of December, 1866, was one hundred and sixty-eight; and there have been admitted during the year, one hundred and forty-four, making a total of three hundred and twelve patients during the past year.

Of the number under treatment, one hundred and fifty-three were males, and one hundred and fifty-nine females.

Of the cases discharged during the year, there were—

Recovered	58
Improved	43
Not improved	22
Died	28
Remaining 31st December, 1867	161

The annexed report (see page 11), of Dr. D. Tilden Brown, the efficient Physician to the Asylum, presents a gratifying statement of the condition of the Asylum, and its successful administration during the past year.

Annexed to this report are statements showing the general disbursements of the Asylum for the current year, ending December 31, 1867, and a statistical history of the Asylum since it was devoted to private patients only. (See page 15.)

In conclusion: during the past year no change in the internal management or general administration of the Hospital or Asylum has been made. It has been the constant endeavor of the Governors to make both the institutions under their charge eminently beneficial to the sick and afflicted, whether in body or mind, and to administer with wise economy the means placed in their hands. Their earnest efforts will continue to be devoted to promote the prosperity and elevate the character of the trust committed to their care.

GEORGE T. TRIMBLE,
President.

D. COLDEN MURRAY,
Secretary.

NEW YORK, *February* 4, 1868.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM REPORT.

Asylum Committee.

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YEARLY REPORT FOR 1867.

To the Board of Governors of the
New York Hospital:

Gentlemen: In accordance with the regulations of your Board, the general operations of the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane, for the year 1867, are presented in the following table:

	Males.	Females.	Total.
The number of patients in the Asylum on January 1, 1867	75	93	168
Admitted since, to January 1, 1868	78	66	144
Total during 1867	153	159	312
Of these were discharged, recovered	31	27	58
" " " improved	21	22	43
" " " not improved	16	6	22
Died	[illegible]	19	28
Total number discharged and died	77	74	151
Remaining December 31, 1867	76	85	161
Average number during the year			172

The largest number in the house at one time was 182, during August; the smallest was 161, at the close of the year; and the average number for the year was 172.

The deaths were attributable to pulmonary consumption in two cases, to acute disease of the brain in six, to chronic disease of the brain in three, to gradual exhaustion in four, to apoplexy in four, to puerperal mania in two, to disease of the kidneys in two, to epilepsy in one, to disease of the heart in one, to inflammation of the liver in one, to dropsy in one, and to general paralysis in one. The latter case occurred in a female, and is only the second observed here in that sex during the past fifteen years. Five of the deaths occurred within five days after admission, and four others within the first fortnight.

Among the patients discharged as "improved," a very considerable number were so nearly restored to their ordinary mental health that longer residence here seemed unnecessary; and yet the reality of convalescence could not be confidently assumed until tested by a return to former associations. In a large majority of these cases the result was complete restoration to health, so that if the annual record were made up at the close of the year, instead of from the daily register, we could truthfully make a material addition to the number of reported recoveries. It has, however, come to be well understood among those familiar with "vital statistics," that they comprise an element not easily discovered among groups of figures, but which is, nevertheless, present, as a leaven more or less potent. Borrowing a term from physiology, this element may be called the "reflex action" of the observer's own temperament, and no just estimate of such statistics can be formed until its value can be approximately determined. A conviction of this truth has induced habitual caution against taking too hopeful views of the mental condition of our discharged patients, and may have affected unfavorably our annual statement of results. But this is of little consequence, if the useful-

ness of the institution itself has been maintained at a standard which can properly be required of it. If the continued confidence of the medical profession, and of those having friends here as patients, is competent evidence on this point, we have reason to believe that the Asylum continues to perform its functions in a proper spirit and with average success.

The general prosperity of the Asylum during the past year, and the average health of its residents, have compared favorably with previous years. It has been necessary to decline many applications for admission, partly because the department for males has been at all times filled to its capacity, and also because the high cost of living has made it necessary to charge higher rates of board than many applicants could pay. The increase in the cost of supporting its patients has not, however, been allowed to diminish the measure of charitable aid which the Asylum has always afforded to numbers of persons unable to make full compensation for its benefits; and, in accordance with the benevolent policy which its Governors adopted early in its history, more than one third of all the patients admitted during the past year have been received for less than the average cost of their support. The proportion of patients now in the Asylum who pay less than the average cost of maintenance is more than one half of the whole number. This fact may well commend the institution to the favorable regard of the wealthy and benevolent citizens of New York.

Certain limitations to a greater possible usefulness of the Asylum, arising chiefly from insufficient room in the male department, have been alluded to in previous annual reports. These inconveniences have been specially felt during the past year, but are rendered less weighty than they otherwise would be by the uncertain continuance of the institution on its present site.

The Committee appointed by your Board, to look for a suitable substitute for the location now occupied by the Asylum, invited me

to participate in their search, and the environs of the city have been very thoroughly explored. A report of the numerous observations will probably be made at an early day, and the result will, in my opinion, prove as judicious and acceptable as could reasonably be expected, when the difficulties of the task are fully considered.

During the past year several halls and rooms of the female department have been repainted, and otherwise improved, by lengthening the windows and substituting lighter window-guards for the original heavy castings. The effect has been very gratifying to the patients, and the greater cheerfulness of the apartments is quite conspicuous. The experience, as well as the sympathies, of those having the care of persons suffering from mental diseases, leads them to remove every unnecessary contrast between the dwellings or associations of the sane and those of the insane. There must, of course, be a limit to such efforts, for it is the duty as well as the prerogative of reason to restrain unreasonable impulses, even in the sane mind and in the social life of responsible beings. But in no particular are the good effects of philanthropy more apparent than in the improvements effected in modern provision for the insane, by assimilating their apartments and general surroundings, as nearly as prudence permits, to those conditions which promote the comfort of sane persons.

Such, fortunately, is the purpose of those who, in our own country, have been generally entrusted with the oversight of deranged persons, and I am glad to bear testimony to the humanity and earnestness of the Trustees of the new State Hospital for the Insane, now being built at Poughkeepsie. Although it will not supersede the necessity for an institution like your own, it will promote the the welfare of all classes of the insane, not only by the liberal scale of all its arrangements, but, I doubt not, in the excellence of its administration also. It is projected upon a plan, and has thus far been constructed in a manner, which will make it alike

an honor to the State and an admirable home for its future occupants. So far as it may prove a friendly rival to this institution in the cause which they are both designed to serve, it must exert a beneficial influence upon our own, by the emulation which will be engendered between the officers of each. I therefore welcome our new neighbor, not only as a prospective colleague in the work of beneficence, but also as a useful competitor, animating us to greater exertion and success in our special branch of duty.

Very respectfully submitted.

D. T. Brown.

January 1, 1868.

Account of General Disbursements of the Bloomingdale Asylum from January 1, 1867, *to December* 31, 1867.

ARTICLES OF FOOD.

Fish, Clams, Oysters	$2,546 84
Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork	19,789 80
Poultry	562 75
Eggs	1,124 08
Flour, Meal, Buckwheat, Crackers	4,296 18
Hams, Smoked Beef, Lard, Sausages	1,658 24
Rice, Barley, Tapioca, Farina	520 49
Butter	5,613 06
Cheese	373 59
Coffee, Cocoa, Chocolate	536 77
Tea	1,148 37
Sugar	2,830 71
Syrup, Molasses	184 00
Fruit, dried and green	1,694 49
Salt, Spices, Sweet Oil, Soda, Cream Tartar	359 17
Vinegar	155 51
Beans, Split Peas	147 17
Milk	160 00
Potatoes	1,269 36
Ice	108 74
	$45,082 32

SUNDRIES.

Repairs, Improvements	1,155 17
Furnace Castings, Heating Apparatus, &c.	778 16
Blacksmithing	335 50
Plumbing	256 66
Tin, Copper, Sheet Iron Ware, &c	459 74
Gas, Kerosene	1,682 75
Carried forward	$4,667 98

SUNDRIES—Continued.

Amount brought forward	$4,667 98
Stationery, Books, Papers, Binding, &c	714 02
Carriage Hire	597 50
Hardware, Cutlery	560 83
Harness, Carriage Repairs	377 19
Medicine	595 74
Liquors, Porter, Ale	680 72
Soap and Material	815 73
Oats, Ground Feed, Grains	1,194 00
Salaries	6,103 24
Wages	17,831 59
Dry Goods	2,033 44
Lumber, Lime, Brick, Plaster	601 90
Paints, Oil, Brushes, &c	570 16
Furniture, Carpets, Oil Cloth, &c	3,658 24
Crockery	388 78
Coal, Charcoal, Cartage	4,728 19
Starch, Indigo	163 59
Hay, Straw	616 46
Horse, Buggy	625 00
Brooms, Brushes, Mats, Woodenware	243 72
House-cleaning	189 00
Carpenter & Mason Work, Window-blinds	709 75
Seeds, Roots, Farming Implements	96 00
Manure	102 50
Water Rate	75 00
Amusements	134 01
Contingencies	440 14
	$49,424 42
Articles of Food added	45,082 32
	$94,506 74

The following table exhibits the history of the Asylum since it was devoted to private patients only.

YEAR.	Admitted.	Whole number during the year.	Whole number discharged and died.	Recovered.	Improved.	Not improved.	Died.	Remaining at end of year.	Average number.
1849	95	214	111	44	33	13	21	103	112
1850	97	200	90	40	15	7	18	110	110
1851	95	205	83	43	20	9	11	122	114
1852	104	226	107	47	25	15	18	119	117
1853	135	254	130	49	27	32	22	124	133
1854	122	246	119	48	29	16	26	127	126
1855	107	234	107	52	13	23	19	127	127
1856	134	261	117	54	27	17	19	144	140
1857	128	272	126	49	37	25	15	146	141
1858	112	258	113	34	34	34	11	145	146
1859	138	283	131	55	32	26	18	152	152
1860	150	302	147	50	46	22	29	155	159
1861	111	266	115	42	56	18	19	151	154
1862	117	268	111	48	24	19	20	157	148
1863	115	272	130	53	47	16	14	142	151
1864	140	281	111	52	30	12	17	170	162
1865	152	323	152	66	36	22	28	171	176
1866	132	303	135	66	33	12	24	168	163
1867	144	312	151	58	43	22	28	161	172

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR 1867.

The Committee appointed in obedience to the By-Laws to audit the accounts of the Hospital, and to make an inventory of all the real and personal estate belonging to the Corporation, and a schedule of all the deeds, &c., in custody of the Treasurer, and a general statement of all the accounts, report as follows:

The receipts of the New York Hospital during the past year have been:

Board of Seamen	$43,526 29	
Board of pay patients	23,365 34	
Articles sold	501 75	
		$67,393 38

And there have been paid during the year:

House expenses	$58,162 54	
Wages	16,435 78	
Night nursing	849 25	
Repairs, $1,703 86; Furniture, $530 92	2,234 78	
Gas-light, $2,206 70; Library, $391 44	2,598 14	
Burials, $410 00; Pathological Cabinet, $323 50	733 50	
Plumbing and Engineer's Department	1,483 54	
Liquors and wines, $1,941 68; Porter, $674 00.	2,615 68	
Medicines, $2,950 62; Leeches, $69 00	3,019 62	
Apothecary shop, for alcohol, lint, bandages, adhesive plaster, &c	1,672 59	
Surgical instruments, oiled silk, muslin, India-rubber cloth, &c	534 61	
New steam boilers	4,617 48	
		$94,957 51

Payments over receipts for the New York Hospital in 1867 were	$27,564 13

The receipts of the Bloomingdale Asylum during the year were:

Board of patients	$109,535 08	
Articles sold	298 17	
		$109,833 25

The payments for the same period have been:

House expenses	$69,416 74	
Wages	23,934 83	
Repairs	1,155 17	
Clothing	6,201 45	
		$100,708 19
Excess of receipts over payments for the Asylum in 1867		$9,125 06
The total receipts of the Institution for the year, as above		$177,226 63
The total expenditure of the Institution for the same time		195,665 70
Excess of expenditure over receipts for the year 1867		$18,439 07

The receipts and payments of the Institution from all sources during the year 1867, *have been:*

Balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital, December 31, 1866	$1,794 32	Paid on account of support of New York Hospital	$90.340 03
Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, December 31, 1866	1,333 68	Paid on account of support of Bloomingdale Asylum	100,708 19
Received on account of the New York Hospital	67,393 38	Paid interest on bonds to Bank for Savings	4,200 00
Received on account of the Bloomingdale Asylum	109,833 25	Paid insurance on Hospita	406 01
Received rent of North Building	3,333 32	" " Asylum	956 63
Received interest	96 32	" taxes on Ninth avenue property	323 91
" insurance refunded	82 08	New steam boilers in engine-house	4,617 48
" from Harbor-Master for fines, &c	193 46	Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, December 31, 1867	449 24
" donations	5,500 00	Balance in the hands of the Warden of the Asylum, December 31, 1867	9 50
Balance due Bank of Commerce December 31, 1867	12,451 18		
	$202,010 99		$202,010 99

The Committee have examined all the accounts presented to them and have found them correct; they are herewith presented.

For a schedule of deeds, bonds, &c., the Committee beg to refer to the Treasurer.

SHEPPARD GANDY,
GEORGE CABOT WARD,
JAS. B. JOHNSTON,
Committee.

NEW YORK HOSPITAL, *January* 27, 1868.

GENERAL EXPENSES OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL

FOR THE YEAR 1867.

House Expenses.

Beef 106,666 lbs.	$15,892 43	
Mutton and Veal 26,028 "	3,499 37	
Pork	257 10	
Meal	306 96	
Rice	259 35	
Butter 9,669 lbs.	3,562 29	
Cheese	24 80	
Coffee 3,999 lbs.	1,044 37	
Tea 985 "	1,000 90	
Sugar 12,434 "	1,930 40	
Flour 373 bbls	5,102 11	
Molasses 125 gals.	90 32	
Potatoes 394 bbls.	1,353 25	
Oil 83½ gals.	119 94	
Wood	330 12	
Coal 1470 tons.	10,169 77	
Vinegar	46 40	
Hard Soap ... 2496 lbs.	386 58	
Soft Soap	237 93	
Milk	3,096 50	
Candles	39 48	
Salt	60 00	
Yeast and Hops	29 25	
Spices	91 28	
Bedding	2,314 73	
Ice	659 61	
Poultry	628 80	
Fish	973 80	
Eggs	859 71	
Vegetables	922 33	
Fruit	380 38	
Crackers	59 42	
Starch	41 90	
Straw	222 21	
Lumber	239 71	
Earthenware	218 83	
Tinware	267 19	
Woodenware	221 25	
Hardware	232 79	
Cartage	174 40	
Postage	4 30	
Stationery	745 39	
Carriage Hire	64 89	
	$58,162 54	

Amt. brought forward		$58,162 54
Repairs	$1,703 86	
Furniture	530 92	
Library	391 44	
Gas Light	2,206 70	
Burials	110 00	
Pathological Cabinet	323 50	
Plumbing, and Boiler Repairs	1,483 51	
		7,049 96
Wages.		
Superintendent	1,250 00	
Assist. Superintendent	455 00	
Matron	350 00	
Clerk	800 00	
Chaplain	350 00	
Apothecary	1,000 00	
Librarian	250 00	
Engineers, Nurses, and Servants	11,980 78	
Night Nursing	849 25	
		17,285 03
Medicines and Surgery.		
Liquors and Wines	1,941 68	
Porter	674 00	
Leeches	69 00	
Medicines	2,950 62	
Apothecary Shop	1,672 59	
Instruments	534 61	
		7,842 50
New Steam Boilers		4,617 48
		$94,957 51

TABULAR ANALYSIS.

There were in the house on the 1st of January, 1867...	233	patients
" received during the year.....	2,221	"
Total treated.....	2,454	"
Discharged, including deaths.....	2,233	"
Remaining December 31st, 1867.....	221	"

Of those under treatment January 1st, 1867—

133 were seamen.	
83 were pay patients.	
17 were non-paying patients.	
Total.....	233

Of those admitted during the year—

1,265 were seamen.	
800 were pay patients.	
156 were non-paying patients.	
Total.....	2,221

Making the whole number treated as above 2,454

Of the pay patients, 132 became non-paying patients, and remained such during their continuance in the Hospital—about 410 weeks.

Of those remaining December 31st, 1867—

139 were seamen.	
74 were pay patients.	
8 were non-paying patients.	
Total.....	221

REPORT OF THE DISEASES AND THEIR RESULTS

Coincident with the Admissions and Discharges of the New York Hospital during the Year 1867.

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1866.	Admitted during 1867.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Improper Objects.	Died.	Total.	Remaining Dec. 31, 1867.
Abscesses	4	53	57	39	9			1	1	50	7
Adenitis		24	24	15	7			1	1	24	
Albuminuria, or Bright's Disease of Kidneys	4	33	37	4	8	2	1		16	31	6
Amenorrhœa		1	1		1					1	
Anchylosis		1	1		1					1	
Aneurism, Abdominal Aorta		5	5			1			4	5	
" Femoral		2	2	2						2	
Anæmia		6	6	3	1				2	6	
Aphasia		1	1	1						1	
Apoplexy		4	4		1				3	4	
Ascites		3	3	2						2	1
Bladder, Foreign Body in		2	2	1	1					2	
Brain, Concussion of	1	10	11	7					4	11	
" Congestion of		2	2	2						2	
" Inflammation of		1	1						1	1	
Bronchitis, Acute		28	28	13	2					15	13
" Chronic		1	1		1					1	
Bones, Diseases of	3	3	6	2	1	1	1			5	1
Burns	2	15	17	11	4				1	16	1
Calculus, Vesicæ		3	3	2						2	1
Cancer of Lip and Face		5	5	4						4	1
" Mammæ		1	1	1						1	
" Stomach	1	2	3			2			1	3	
Cephalalgia		3	3	3						3	
Cholera Morbus		1	1	1						1	
Chorea		1	1	1						1	
Cirrhosis of Liver	1	2	3						3	3	
Colica		4	4	3	1					4	
" Pictonum		2	2	2						2	
Condylomata		1	1	1						1	
Constipation		3	3	3						3	
Contusions		49	49	37	9	1				47	2
Convulsions		5	5	4						4	1

Carried forward

REPORT OF DISEASES, &c.—*Continued.*

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1866.	Admitted during 1867.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Improper Objects.	Died.	Total.	Remaining Dec. 31, 1867.
Brought forward											
Cystitis		9	9	1	7					8	1
Debilitas	4	42	46	29	1	9	3			42	4
Delirium Tremens		36	36	27	2				5	34	2
Diabetes, Incipiens		1	1	1						1	
Diarrhœa, Acute		9	9	7					1	8	1
" Chronic	2	10	12	5	4	1			2	12	
Dislocation, Elbow		5	5	4	1					5	
" Shoulder	1	6	7	6						6	1
" Thigh		2	2	2						2	
" Knee		1	1	1						1	
" Ankle		1	1	1						1	
Dysentery, Acute	2	21	23	15	2		1		3	21	2
" Chronic	2	8	10	6	2	2				10	
Dyspepsia	1	7	8	3	3	2				8	
Ear, Diseases of		2	2	1	1					2	
Ebrietas	2	36	38	35	2		1			38	
Emphysema		2	2		2					2	
Entropia		1	1	1						1	
Epididymitis		16	16	13	3					16	
Epistaxis	1	1	2	2						2	
Epilepsy		4	4	1	2	1				4	
Erysipelas		16	16	13	3					16	
Eye, Diseases of	3	18	21	10	9					19	2
Febricula		6	6	1	1				1	3	3
Fever, Congestive		12	12	3					9	12	
" Intermittent	10	125	135	117	3	2	1	3		126	9
" Remittent	1	187	191	172	9		5		1	187	4
" Typhus		7	7	4					3	7	
" Typhoid	10	26	36	26					10	36	
Fistula in Ano	1	2	3	1	2					3	
" Urinary		9	9	4	3				2	9	
Fracture of Cranium		12	12	1	1				10	12	
" Clavicle		8	8	4	2					6	2
" Sup. Maxilla		3	3	1	2					3	
" Patellæ		4	4	3						3	1
" Pelvis		6	6	2					4	6	
" Ribs		5	5	5						5	
" Spine	2	5	7	2					5	7	
" Upper Extrem's	5	33	38	24	6	1				31	7
" Comp'd	4	15	19	13	3		1		1	18	1
Carried forward											

REPORT OF DISEASES, &c.—*Continued.*

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1866.	Admitted during 1867.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Improper Objects.	Died.	Total.	Remaining Dec. 31, 1867.
Brought forward											
Fracture of Lower Extrem's	22	69	91	74	6				3	80	11
" Comp'd	2	38	40	19	3				13	35	5
" Sternum		2	2	2						2	
Furuncule		1	1	1						1	
Gangrene		2	2	1					1	2	
Gelationes	6	6	12	9			1			10	2
Gleet		6	6	4	2					6	
Gonorrhœa	3	58	61	41	11					52	9
Hemorrhage, Secondary		1	1		1					1	
" Uterine		1	1	1						1	
Hernia, Inguinal		7	7	3	2				2	7	
" Strangulated		2	2	1					1	2	
Heat, Effects of		1	1	1						1	
Heart, Diseases of	2	12	14		4	4	1		5	14	
Hemiplegia		7	7	3		1	1		1	6	1
Hemorrhoids		4	4	2	1					3	1
Hœmoptysis		1	1	1						1	
Hydrocele	1	10	11	11						11	
Hydrophobia		1	1						1	1	
Hysteria	1	5	6	5	1					6	
Inflammation	4	6	10	8	1				1	10	
Injuries	3	36	39	20	11				4	35	4
Insanity		13	13	1	2	3	1	6		13	
Laryngitis	1	6	7	5	2					7	
Leucorrhœa	1	6	7	2	4	1				7	
Malarial Cachexia	4	18	22	19	2		1			22	
Malingering		9	9	2			2	5		9	
Meningitis, Spinal		11	11		1	2			8	11	
Morbus Coxarius	1	2	3		2				1	3	
Necrosis	4	15	19	14	3					17	2
Neuralgia	3	14	17	14	3					17	
Obstruction of Trachea	1	1	2		2					2	
Œdema of Lungs		1	1						1	1	
Orchitis		3	3	2	1					3	
Paralysis	4	8	12	2	6	2		1		11	1
Phymosis, Congenital		1	1	1						1	
Paronychia	1	11	12	10	1					11	1
Parturition		4	4	3				1		4	
Periostitis		7	7	2	2		2			6	1
Peritonitis	1	3	4	1					3	4	
Carried forward											

REPORT OF DISEASES, &c.—*Continued.*

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1866.	Admitted during 1867.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Improper Objects.	Died	Total.	Remaining Dec. 31, 1867.
Brought forward											
Phthisis	17	105	122	1	65	14	12		15	107	15
Phlebitis	..	1	1	1					..	1	
Pleuritis	1	11	12	8	3		..			11	1
Pneumonia	7	33	40	32	2		..		5	39	1
Poisoning, Arsenical	..	2	2	2						2	
" Ivy		1	1	1			..		1	1	
Pyæmia		1	1							1	
Rheumatism, Acute	10	63	73	53	4	1				58	15
" Chronic	3	41	47	30	12			2		44	3
Roseola		1	1	1						1	
Sciatica	..	4	4	3			1			4	
Scorbutus	5	6	11	11						11	
Skin, Diseases of	3	20	23	17	4					21	2
Sprain		27	27	20	6				..	26	1
Submersion		1	1		1					1	
Synovitis	4	19	23	13	3					16	7
Syphilis, Primary	19	154	173	124	26		3			153	20
" Secondary	13	122	135	71	40	2	3			116	19
Tetanus		2	2						2	2	
Trichinosis		1	1		1					1	
Tumors		7	7	5		1			1	7	
Ulcers	8	77	85	52	19		1			72	13
" Varicose		8	8	5	3					8	
Uremia		3	3						3	3	
Urethra, Stricture of	3	25	28	16	7					23	5
Urine, Retention of		1	1		1					1	
Wounds of Chest	1	1	2	2						2	
" Contused	1	8	9	6	3					9	
" Gun Shot	1	12	13	7	1				3	11	2
" Head and Neck	1	15	16	12	4					16	
" Incised		17	17	9	4				1	14	3
" Lacerated	1	12	13	10	3					13	
" Punctured		3	3	2					1	3	
" Lower Extremities		3	3	2	1					3	
" Upper "		6	6	3	1					4	2
	233	2221	2454	1532	411	56	43	20	171	2233	221

NATIVITY OF PATIENTS.

United States	727	East Indies	2
British America	40	Italy	8
West Indies	19	Norway	50
England	132	Prussia	16
Scotland	39	Spain	14
Wales	9	Sweden	89
Ireland	655	Switzerland	3
Denmark	31	Russia	19
France	47		
Germany	320	Total	2233
Holland	13		

STATEMENT OF PATIENTS ADMITTED INTO AND DISCHARGED FROM THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL.

From 31st December, 1829, to 31st December, 1867.

	Year.	Total Admitted.	Total Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Improper Objects.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Died.
Remaining 31st December..	1829	191				..	..	..
Admitted during..... ...	1830	1690	1258	101	126	20	38	150
" "	1831	1870	1381	112	139	29	18	159
" "	1832	1763	1388	94	70	65	20	165
" "	1833	1852	1396	108	102	68	30	146
" "	1834	1721	1266	69	154	32	46	174
" "	1835	1837	1431	72	101	14	25	169
" "	1836	1987	1503	122	101	15	25	197
" "	1837	1769	1305	140	121	24	15	191
" "	1838	1774	1357	155	93	8	22	149
" "	1839	1864	1403	146	77	44	29	169
" "	1840	1797	1317	111	120	18	45	173
" "	1841	2000	1501	84	163	26	40	193
" "	1842	1926	1440	83	141	33	71	150
" "	1843	1902	1239	133	215	44	71	170
" "	1844	2191	1528	154	216	47	114	155
" "	1845	2745	1993	117	230	46	124	216
" "	1846	2699	1838	210	141	40	122	245
" "	1847	3715	2624	233	192	48	108	402
" "	1848	3266	2507	145	145	40	92	372
" "	1849	3329	2589	139	126	10	93	331
" "	1850	3015	2394	108	101	17	88	357
" "	1851	3715	2796	157	139	41	80	422
" "	1852	3576	2862	116	129	41	85	353
" "	1853	3526	2832	107	87	30	78	401
" "	1854	3420	2323	491	192	30	11	372
" "	1855	2623	1951	270	90	13	63	290
" "	1856	3048	2085	374	149	23	66	291
" "	1857	2632	1943	282	115	11	61	277
" "	1858	2222	1506	294	92	25	28	274
" "	1859	2582	1771	269	170	13	60	315
" "	1860	2867	1971	540	100	28	64	316
" "	1861	3343	2483	474	..	52	45	309
" "	1862	3937	2724	512	63	34	119	400
" "	1863	2801	1919	421	78	28	24	373
" "	1864	3066	1865	506	275	46	24	399
" "	1865	2912	1884	529	109	40	36	326
" "	1866	2402	1536	475	63	23	31	283
" "	1867	2221	1532	411	56	20	43	171
Total.....		97796	70641	8844	4781	1186	3254	10011

REPORT OF THE STATE

OF THE

NEW YORK HOSPITAL

AND

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM,

FOR THE YEAR 1868.

NEW YORK:
D. VAN NOSTRAND, 192 BROADWAY
1869.

GOVERNORS.

GEORGE T. TRIMBLE, *President.*
JOHN DAVID WOLFE, *Vice-President.*
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WILLIAM B. HOFFMAN,
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JONATHAN THORNE.
(One Vacancy.)

PHYSICIANS.

Consulting Physician.

THOMAS COCK, M. D.

Attending Physicians.

HENRY D. BULKLEY, M. D.,
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WILLIAM H. DRAPER, M. D.,
GOUVERNEUR M. SMITH, M. D.,
CHARLES E. HACKLEY, M. D.,
JAMES W. McLANE, M. D.

House Physicians.

JAMES VANDERPOOL, M. D.,
ALBERT H. BUCK, M. D.

SURGEONS.

Consulting Surgeons.

ALEX. H. STEVENS, M. D.,
ALFRED C. POST, M. D.,
THADDEUS M. HALSTED, M. D.,
WILLIAM H. VAN BUREN, M. D.,
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GURDON BUCK, M. D.,
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Curator.

CHRISTOPHER M. BELL, M. D.

Clinical Registrar.

DAVID MAGIE, M. D.

Microscopist.

EDWARD C. SEGUIN, M. D.

ROBERT ROBERTS, *Superintendent.*
THEODORE A. DAVIS, *Assist. Superintendent.*
SARAH H. BELL, *Matron.*
JACOB MATHEWS, *Clerk.*
REV. CHARLES WHITEHEAD, *Chaplain.*
JOHN L. VANDERVOORT, M. D., *Librarian.*
EDWARD L. JOHNSON, *Apothecary.*

THE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS OF THE INSTITUTION, FROM ALL SOURCES,

DURING THE YEAR 1868, HAVE BEEN:

Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, Jan. 1, 1868.	$449	24
Balance in hands of Warden of the Asylum, January 1, 1868	9	50
Received on account of the New York Hospital	71,938	37
Received on account of Bloomingdale Asylum	107,607	75
Received, Donations and Subscriptions	1,580	00
Received, Loan on Mortgage from T. H. Faile	60,000	00
Received, Rent of North Building	3,333	32
Received, Interest	44	24
Received, Award for Boulevard, Bloomingdale	111,326	00
	$356,288	42

Balance due the Bank of Commerce, January 1, 1868	$12,451	18
Paid on account of support of New York Hospital	82,731	92
Paid on account of support of Bloomingdale Asylum	101,695	56
Paid Insurance on the Hospital	900	00
" " " Asylum	1,641	00
Paid on account of purchase of farm at White Plains	61,656	50
Paid Interest on Bonds to Bank for Savings	4,200	00
Paid Interest on Loan from Bank of Commerce	2,260	50
Paid Interest on Bond to Samuel Faile	2,450	00
Paid Interest on Bond to Thomas H. Faile	2,100	00
Paid Expenses of Farm at White Plains	9,632	82
Paid Assessment for Boulevard, Bloomingdale	36,026	00
Paid Loan from Bank of Commerce.	18,000	00
Balance in Bank of Commerce to credit of Hospital, Dec. 31, 1868.	18,172	01
Balance in Bank of America to credit of Asylum, Dec. 31, 1868	2,370	93
	$356,288	42

The financial condition of this Corporation on the 31st December, 1868, stands thus, as compared with that on the 31st December, 1867.

On the 31st December, 1867, it stood as follows:

Debt on Mortgage	$70,000 00	
" to Bank of Commerce	12,451 18	
" " " Loan	18,000 00	
		$100,451 18
Deduct balance in Bank of America to credit of Asylum	$449 24	
Deduct balance in hands of Warden of Asylum	9 50	
		$458 74
		$99,942 44

On 31st December, 1868:

Debt on Mortgage	$70,000 00	
" " "	60,000 00	
" " "	70,000 00	
		$200,000 00
Deduct balance in Bank of America to credit of Asylum	$2,370 93	
Deduct balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital	18,172 01	
		$20,542 94
		$179,457 06

Annexed to this Report is the Report of the Committee on Accounts, showing the several items of receipts and disbursements of the Hospital and Asylum for the year 1868. (See page 19.)

The whole number of persons who received the benefits of the New York Hospital, as medical or surgical patients, during the year 1868 was 2,613. The average daily number has been 210.

The number of patients in the Hospital on the 31st of December, 1867, was 221, and there were admitted during the year 1868, 2,392.

Of this number there have been cured	1,614
Relieved	405
Request	46
Discharged as improper objects	16
Eloped, or discharged as disorderly	69
Died	235
	2,385
Remaining 31st December, 1868	228
Total treated	2,613

The total number of inquests held at the Hospital by the coroners during the year was 69, as against 56 during 1867.

From the following causes, viz.:

Railroad accidents	12
Falling from buildings and other injuries	18
Burns and scalds	8
Run over by stages and wagons	1
Stabs, gun-shot wounds, &c	7
Various other causes	23
Total	69

Deducting these 69 cases, as above, the number of other deaths was 166.

The practice of the Hospital during the year presents the following results: The number of weeks occupied by diseased seamen was $62\frac{20}{100}$ per cent. in proportion to the other classes, against $58\frac{25}{100}$ in the year 1867. Of the whole number of patients under actual

treatment, $9\frac{00}{100}$ per cent. died; or, taking the ratio of mortality on all discharged, as is done in some similar statistics, $10\frac{00}{100}$ per cent. died. Of the deaths, 60 per cent. were surgical cases, and 40 per cent. medical. The amount of cures out of the number discharged, including deaths, shows a proportion of 67 per cent. discharged cured, exclusive of about $17\frac{50}{100}$ per cent. more discharged as *relieved* for the time.

Of the cases under treatment in 1868, 1,462 were surgical, and 1,151 medical—being about 56 per cent. of the former to 44 per cent. of the latter. On all cases treated, deducting the 69 cases of sudden deaths, the proportion of deaths was about $4\frac{50}{100}$ of surgical to about $9\frac{50}{100}$ per cent. of medical cases. Of the 1,462 surgical cases of the last year, 448 were from injuries arising from sudden casualties.

An analysis hereto annexed sets forth, in tabular form, the operations of the Hospital in respect to these several classes of patients, and also to other matters of interest. (See page 23.)

The Hospital Library and Pathological Cabinet continue to receive the fostering care of the Governors. The Library contains 8,104 volumes, of which 316 have been added during the past year.

Through the liberality of John D. Wolfe, Vice-President, the Hospital Library received during the past year a very valuable addition of French and German works, numbering 175 volumes. To the same benefactor the Hospital is also greatly indebted for an extensive and valuable variety of improved surgical instruments, of which the Hospital stood in much need. The Hospital Library also received from Mary H. Johnston and Margaret T. Johnston, daughters of James Boorman Johnston, one of the Governors, a donation of $800, the proceeds of a fair instituted by them for this object.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM.

The number of insane patients in the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane on the 31st day of December, 1867, was one hundred and sixty-one; and there have been admitted during the year one hundred and thirty-six, making a total of two hundred and ninety-seven patients during the past year.

Of the number under treatment, one hundred and forty were males, and one hundred and fifty-seven females.

Of the cases discharged during the year, there were—

Recovered	55
Improved	48
Not improved	17
Died	20
Remaining 31st December, 1868	157

Horace K. Wheeler, M. D., late Assistant Physician to the Asylum, died on the 7th of May, 1868, having been appointed to that office in August, 1866, and having performed its duties to the entire satisfaction of the Board. Edward E. Porter, M. D., formerly connected with the Retreat for the Insane at Hartford, Connecticut, the present Assistant Physician, was appointed to fill the vacancy.

The annexed report (see page 13) of Dr. D. Tilden Brown, the efficient Physician to the Asylum, presents a gratifying statement

of the condition of the Asylum, present and prospective, and its successful administration during the past year.

Annexed are statements showing the general disbursements of the Asylum for the current year, ending December 31, 1868, and a statistical history of the Asylum since it was devoted to private patients only. (See pages 17 and 18.)

In conclusion; no change in the general administration of the Hospital or Asylum has been made during the past year, but important measures have been adopted with a view of promoting the efficiency and prosperity of both institutions.

At the monthly meeting of the Board of Governors in December, 1866, a committee was appointed to inquire and report upon the expediency of procuring a new site for the Bloomingdale Asylum beyond the city limits. The great changes in the occupation and condition of the land in the neighborhood of the Asylum, and the improvements projected by the Commissioners of the Central Park, involving a portion of the Asylum grounds, very plainly indicated that the present site of the Asylum would soon cease to be eligible for the treatment of the insane, and that the immediate selection of a more suitable location had become an imperative duty. In pursuance of the recommendations of the special committee, the Society of the New York Hospital purchased in January, 1868, a farm at White Plains, Westchester County, consisting of about 300 acres. The land is regarded as eminently suitable for the uses to which it will be dedicated as soon as the Board can adopt ways and means for the erection of appropriate buildings for the reception of patients.

For more than ten years past the financial condition of the Society has excited the constant and earnest solicitude of this Board. In 1857 the State annuity of twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars

ceased by its own limitation, and was not renewed. The immediate result was that the annual expenditures of this institution were greatly in excess of its receipts. Efforts to obtain donations from the Legislature of the State, from the Corporation of the city of New York, were zealously and repeatedly made. The State responded for a few years with a diminished and inadequate appropriation, while the Corporation of the city refused any aid whatever. It became obvious, therefore, that if this society were desirous of prosecuting its charitable work on a scale in any proper degree proportioned to its past efforts and inherent ability, some policy in regard to its valuable real estate occupied by the Hospital buildings should be adopted, with a view to obtain from it, or the proceeds of it, a yearly income adequate for the present and prospective operations of the institution. After careful and protracted investigation and mature consideration, the Board of Governors, in the month of October, 1868, resolved that it was expedient to lease the land now occupied by the Hospital buildings, bounded by Broadway, Church, Worth, and Duane streets, and a committee was appointed to carry this resolution into effect. The Board confidently express the opinion that the foregoing measures will be productive of increased vigor in the administration of the trust committed to their care.

GEORGE D. TRIMBLE,
President.

D. COLDEN MURRAY,
Secretary.

NEW YORK, *March* 2, 1869.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM REPORT.

Asylum Committee.

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D. TILDEN BROWN, M. D., Physician.
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WM. GORDON VERPLANCK, Warden.
ELIZABETH L. CLAPP, Matron.
Rev. THOMAS M. PETERS, Chaplain.

YEARLY REPORT FOR 1868.

To the Board of Governors of the New York Hospital:

Gentlemen: In accordance with the regulations of your Board, the general operations of the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane, for the year 1868, are presented in the following table:

On January 1, 1868:	Males.	Females.	Total.
The number of patients in the Asylum was	75	86	161
Admitted since, to January 1, 1869	65	71	136
Total number during 1868	140	157	297
Of these were discharged, recovered	22	33	55
" " " improved	21	27	48
" " " not improved	10	7	17
Died	10	10	20
Total number discharged and died	63	77	140
Remaining December 31, 1868	77	80	157
Average number resident during 1868	..	..	166

The deaths were attributable to pulmonary consumption in three cases, to general paralysis in two, to apoplexy in one, to puerperal mania in one, to epilepsy in one, to pneumonia in two, to chronic dysentery in one, to acute mania in three, to the exhaustion of chronic mania and advanced age in five, and to suicide by wounds in one.

Horace K. Wheeler, M. D., late Assistant Physician of the Asylum, died May 7th, 1868, of pulmonary consumption, after a painful and lingering illness. Previous to his appointment in this Institution in August, 1866, Dr. Wheeler had occupied a similar position in the Asylum of Kings County, New York, and had also served very efficiently in the United States Navy, as Assistant Surgeon, during the late civil war.

Edward E. Porter, M. D., the present Assistant Physician, was formerly connected with the Retreat for the Insane at Hartford, Connecticut, and has shown commendable intelligence and diligence in the execution of the duties of his office.

Beyond the above concise statement, the history of the Asylum during the past year has presented no novelty calling for special notice. The average number of patients has been, at all times, as large as the buildings could comfortably accommodate.

The usual means of fulfilling its proper purposes have been maintained at the usual standard, and employed with average success. Those limitations to greater usefulness, which have been pointed out in previous annual reports, still exist, arising chiefly from insufficient and not wholly satisfactory accommodations in the male department.

These embarrassments must be borne with while the Asylum remains on its present site, but the time of their disappearance can be already foreseen. The purchase, by your Board, of the large and

eligible property at White Plains, for eventual occupation by the Asylum, justifies the hope that at no very distant day the patients committed to your care will be, in all respects, as well accommodated as those of any institution in the country. I congratulate all interested in the insane who may be occupants of your future Institution, that so large a demesne—three hundred acres—has been secured for their abode.

Ample space, with complete privacy when necessary, must be regarded as one of the most essential requirements of such an institution; and although a location on the Hudson river would have been preferable to an inland one, could it have combined other requisites with its beautiful scenery, I cannot doubt that the property finally purchased was preferable for our purposes to any other examined by the Committee. It combines advantages which could not, perhaps, have been found conjoined elsewhere. Its easy accessibility, its proximity to the railroad station and to a large village, its central position with reference to the communities to be accommodated, its copious supply of water and the reputed healthfulness of the region, its command of a diversity of roads for agreeable excursions, and finally, its ample extent, which will effectually shut out obnoxious encroachments, besides securing all classes of patients great range for exercise without exposure to public curiosity—all unite to commend it, and to justify the gratulations of those most conversant with the needs and the treatment of the insane. If the site lacks those attractions, both for the well and for invalids, which are associated with water views, it must be borne in mind that both the Hudson river and Long Island Sound are within easy carriage drive by good and pleasant roads, and that an institution like yours should possess a sufficient number of vehicles to insure the benefit of such excursions to patients who may properly appreciate them.

The place itself can also be made very agreeable by a judicious system of landscape gardening, and it is probable that the local

climate of the interior would permit more out-door exercise in winter than would be prudent on the water-side.

The suitable preparation of such a property for the home of a large household of invalids, and the construction of the Home itself, is a problem which may well task the wisdom, the ingenuity, and the patience of any Board of Trustees. The responsibility it involves is certainly not a light one, in view of the great progress made in this department of philanthropy and of the reasonable criticism to which even benevolent enterprises are consequently liable.

Hoping that the blessing of Providence, which has so visibly marked the history of your Asylum in the past, may continue to rest upon its future career,

I am, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

D. T. Brown.

January, 1869

Account of General Disbursements of the Bloomingdale Asylum from January 1st, 1868, to December 31st, 1868.

ARTICLES OF FOOD.

Fish, Clams, Oysters	$2,068 10
Beef, Mutton, Veal	19,013 50
Poultry	764 78
Eggs	1,100 75
Flour, Meal, Buckwheat, &c	4,198 19
Hams, Smoked Beef, Lard, Sausages	1,391 45
Rice, Barley, Tapioca, Farina	394 94
Butter	6,317 43
Cheese	369 86
Coffee, Cocoa, Chocolate	458 43
Tea	1,581 07
Crushed Sugar	967 78
Coffee and Powdered Sugars	1,845 38
Syrup and Molasses	144 33
Fruit, dried and green	2,160 90
Salt, Spices, Sweet Oil	261 87
Vinegar	125 01
Beans and Split Peas	120 83
Milk	350 00
Potatoes	1,420 45
Vegetables	81 25
Ice	172 43
	$45,308 73

SUNDRIES.

Repairs	$2,086 18
Furnace Castings, &c	477 26
Blacksmithing	278 32
Plumbing	275 42
Tin, Copper, Sheet-Iron, and Work	718 95
Gas, Kerosene	1,709 92
Stationery, Books, Newspapers	609 06

SUNDRIES—Continued.

Amount brought forward	$6,155 11
Carriage Hire	520 00
Hardware, Cutlery, &c	1,036 52
Medicine	816 67
Liquors, Ale, Porter	637 50
Soap and Material	711 13
Oats, Ground Feed, Grains	1,411 18
Salaries	5,537 07
Wages	19,425 76
Dry Goods	893 60
Lumber, Lime, Brick, Plaster	660 69
Paints, Oil, Brushes	610 92
Harness and Carriage Repairs	237 49
Furniture, Carpets, Oil Cloth	3,233 99
Crockery	306 45
Coal, Charcoal, and Cartage	4,503 74
Starch, Indigo	159 85
House cleaning	125 20
Straw	591 10
Live Stock	580 00
Buggy	350 00
Brooms, Brushes, Woodenware	353 12
Carpenter and Mason work	1,636 62
Seeds, Roots	11 00
Manure	75 00
Legal services	100 00
Water Rate	75 00
Amusements	347 28
Building Shed	346 00
Contingencies	321 73
	$51,769 72
Articles of Food added	45,308 73
	$97,078 45

The following table exhibits the history of the Asylum since it was devoted to private patients only.

YEAR.	Admitted.	Whole number during the year.	Whole number discharged and died.	Recovered.	Improved.	Not improved.	Died.	Remaining at end of year.	Average number.
1849	95	214	111	44	33	13	21	103	112
1850	97	200	90	40	15	7	18	110	110
1851	95	205	83	43	20	9	11	122	114
1852	104	226	107	47	25	15	18	119	117
1853	135	254	130	49	27	32	22	124	133
1854	122	246	119	48	29	16	26	127	126
1855	107	234	107	52	13	23	19	127	127
1856	134	261	117	54	27	17	19	144	140
1857	128	272	126	49	37	25	15	146	141
1858	112	258	113	34	34	34	11	145	146
1859	138	283	131	55	32	26	18	152	152
1860	150	302	147	50	46	22	29	155	159
1861	111	266	115	42	36	18	19	151	154
1862	117	268	111	48	24	19	20	157	148
1863	115	272	130	53	47	16	14	142	151
1864	140	281	111	52	30	12	17	170	162
1865	152	323	152	66	36	22	28	171	176
1866	132	303	135	66	33	12	24	168	163
1867	144	312	151	58	43	22	28	161	172
1868	136	297	140	55	48	17	20	157	166

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS.

FOR THE YEAR 1868.

The Committee appointed in obedience to the By-Laws to audit the accounts of the Hospital, and to make an inventory of all the real and personal estate belonging to the Corporation, and a schedule of all the deeds, &c., in custody of the Treasurer, and a general statement of all the accounts, report as follows:

The receipts of the New York Hospital during the past year have been:

Board of seamen	$47,927 00	
Board of pay patients	23,400 68	
Articles sold	610 69	
		$71,938 37
And there have been paid during the year:		
House expenses	$51,070 28	
Wages	16,369 92	
Night nursing	837 42	
Repairs, $958.97; Furniture, $247.71	1,206 68	
Gas-light, $2,258.87; Library, $406.22	2,665 09	
Burials, $480; Pathological Cabinet, $459.09,	939 09	
Plumbing and Engineer's Department	1,717 61	
Liquors and wines, $2,317.91; Porter, $739.50,	3,057 41	
Medicines, $2,550.50; Leeches, $44.00	2,594 50	
Apothecary shop, for alcohol, lint, bandages, adhesive plaster, &c	1,661 47	
Surgical instruments, oiled silk, muslin, india-rubber cloth, &c	457 45	
Indexing case books	155 00	
		$82,731 92
Payments over receipts for the New York Hospital in 1868 were		$10,793 55

The receipts of the Bloomingdale Asylum during the year were:

Board of patients	$107,340 24	
Articles sold	267 51	
		$107,607 75

The payments for the same period have been:

House expenses	$70,084 45	
Wages	24,962 82	
Repairs	2,031 18	
Clothing	4,617 11	
		$101,695 56
Excess of receipts over payments for the Asylum in 1868		$5,912 19
The total receipts of the Institution for the year, as above		$179,546 12
The total expenditure of the Institution for the same time		$184,427 48
Excess of expenditure over receipts for the year 1868		$4,881 36

The receipts and payments of the Institution from all sources during the year 1868 *have been:*

Balance in the Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, January 1, 1868	$449 24	Balance due the Bank of Commerce, January 1, 1868	$12,451 18
Balance in hands of Warden of the Asylum, January 1, 1868	9 50	Paid on account of support of New York Hospital	82,731 92
Received on account of the New York Hospital	71,938 37	Paid on account of support of Bloomingdale Asylum	101,695 56
Received on account of Bloomingdale Asylum	107,607 75	Paid insurance on the Hospital	900 00
Received donations and subscriptions	1,580 00	Paid insurance on the Asylum,	1,641 00
Received loan on mortgage from T. H. Faile	60,000 00	Paid on account of purchase of farm at White Plains	61,656 50
Received rent of north building	3,333 32	Paid interest on bonds to Bank for Savings	4,200 00
Received interest	44 24	Paid interest on loan from Bank of Commerce	2,260 50
Received award for Boulevard, Bloomingdale	111,326 00	Paid interest on bond to Saml. Faile	2,450 00
		Paid interest on bond to Thos. H. Faile	2,100 00
		Paid expenses of farm at White Plains	9,632 82
		Paid assessment for Boulevard, Bloomingdale	36,026 00
		Paid loan from Bank of Commerce	18,000 00
		Balance in Bank of Commerce to credit of Hospital, December 31, 1868	18,172 01
		Balance in Bank of America to credit of Asylum, December 31, 1868	2,370 93
	$356,288 42		$356,288 42

The Committee have examined all the accounts presented to them and have found them correct; they are herewith presented.

For a schedule of deeds, bonds, &c., the Committee beg to refer to the Treasurer.

SHEPPARD GANDY,
GEORGE CABOT WARD,
JAS. B. JOHNSTON,
} *Committee.*

NEW YORK HOSPITAL, *January* 18, 1869.

GENERAL EXPENSES OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL

FOR THE YEAR 1868.

House Expenses.

Beef	102,172 lbs.	$15,129 14
Mutton and Veal	22,871 lbs.	3,516 92
Pork		214 96
Meal		292 83
Rice	2,526 lbs	278 78
Butter	9,786 "	4,362 22
Cheese		25 85
Coffee	3,342 lbs.	855 40
Tea	747 "	804 66
Sugar	12,021 "	1,826 13
Flour	378 bbls.	4,489 32
Molasses	164 gals.	128 46
Potatoes	406 bbls.	1,671 25
Oil	241 gals.	194 85
Wood		204 88
Coal	1,110 tons.	7,582 57
Vinegar		28 82
Hard Soap	2,880 lbs.	289 13
Soft Soap		241 25
Milk	40,224 qts.	2,623 83
Candles		38 88
Salt		57 00
Yeast and Hops		13 30
Spices		62 77
Bedding		369 73
Ice		437 91
Poultry		418 08
Fish		872 83
Eggs		971 06
Vegetables		727 72
Fruit		292 80
Crackers		62 75
Starch		67 60
Straw		237 56
Lumber		82 67
Earthenware		152 98
Tinware		199 47
Woodenware		198 85
Hardware		126 14
Cartage		174 52
Stationery		405 83
Carriage Hire		49 06
Printing		201 30
Freights and Duties		88 22
		$51,070 28

Amt. brought forward.		$51,070 28
Indexing Case Books	$155 00	
Repairs	958 97	
Furniture	247 71	
Gas Light	2,258 87	
Library	406 22	
Burials	480 00	
Pathological Cabinet	459 09	
Plumbing and Boiler Repairs	1,717 61	
		$6,683 47

Wages.

Superintendent	$1,250 00	
Assistant Superintendent	480 00	
Matron	350 00	
Clerk	800 00	
Chaplain	350 00	
Apothecary	1,000 00	
Librararian	250 00	
Engineers, Nurses, and Servants	11,889 92	
Night Nursing	837 42	
		$17,207 34

Medicines and Surgery.

Liquors and Wines	$2,317 91	
Porter	739 50	
Leeches	44 00	
Medicines	2,550 50	
Apothecary Shop	1,661 47	
Instruments	457 45	
		$7,770 83
		$82,731 92

TABULAR ANALYSIS.

There were in the house on the 1st of January, 1868...	221	patients.
" received during the year	2,392	"
Total treated.....	2,613	"
Discharged, including deaths.....	2,385	"
Remaining December 31st, 1868.....	228	"

Of those under treatment January 1st, 1868—

139 were seamen.	
74 were pay patients.	
8 were non-paying patients.	
Total.....	221

Of those admitted during the year—

1,374 were seamen.	
811 were pay patients.	
207 were non-paying patients.	
Total.....	2,392
Making the whole number treated as above.....	2,613

Of the pay patients, 144 became non-paying patients, and remained such during their continuance in the Hospital—about 329 weeks.

Of those remaining December 31st, 1868—

142 were seamen.	
68 were pay patients.	
18 were non-paying patients.	
Total.....	228

The foregoing statement shows the following results, viz.:

1,513 seamen have been under treatment, equal to	6,778	weeks.
885 pay patients " " " "	3,470	"
215 non-paying patients " " "	690	"
2,613 patients treated, in the aggregate,	10,938	"

The time thus stated has been occupied by the several classes of patients thus:

62.20 per cent. by seamen.
31.30 " pay patients.
6.50 " non-paying patients.

Average proportion out of the discharges (including deaths from casualties):

Cured, per cent	$67\frac{00}{100}$
Relieved	$17\frac{50}{100}$
Request	$1\frac{90}{100}$
Disorderly, or eloped	$2\frac{75}{100}$
Improper objects	$\frac{85}{100}$
Of death, including deaths from accidents, &c.	$10\frac{00}{100}$
" excluding " " " falling under the charge of the Coroner	$7\frac{00}{100}$

The average daily number in the house has been 210.

REPORT OF DISEASES AND THEIR RESULTS

Coincident with the Admissions and Discharges of the New York Hospital during the Year 1868.

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1867.	Admitted during 1868.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Improper Objects.	Died.	Total.	Remaining Dec. 31, 1868.
Abscess	8	40	48	28	7	2	1		7	45	3
Adenitis		12	12	5	3		3		1	12	
Ascites		1	1	1						1	
Albuminuria, or Bright's Disease of Kidneys	7	42	49	2	16	1	1		25	45	4
Anchylosis	1	2	3	1	1		1			3	
Aneurism of Aorta		2	2		1				1	2	
" Popliteal	1	2	3	1					1	2	1
Anæmia		3	3	2	1					3	
Bladder, Disease of		1	1	1						1	
Brain, Concussion of		19	19	14	2				3	19	
Bronchitis, Acute	1	28	29	19	6		4			29	
" Chronic	5		5								5
Burns	1	33	34	21	2				6	29	5
Calculus, Vesicæ	1	2	3	3						3	
Cancer of Lip		2	2	2						2	
" Lung		1	1		1					1	
" Rectum		1	1						1	1	
" Stomach		2	2						2	2	
Cephalalgia		3	3	1	1					2	1
Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis		13	13						13	13	
Cholera Morbus		2	2	2						2	
Cirrhosis of Liver		2	2	1					1	2	
Constipation		1	1	1						1	
Contusions	3	35	38	28	4		1			33	5
Convulsions		2	2	1	1					2	
Cystitis	1	11	12	6	3		2			11	1
Debilitas		90	90	67	5	3	4	1	1	81	9
Delirium Tremens	1	23	24	20					1	21	3
Diphtheria		1	1						1	1	
Diabetes		1	1		1					1	
Diarrhœa, Acute		11	11	7	1		1			9	2
" Chronic	2	3	5	3	2					5	
Dislocation of Arm		3	3	3						3	
" Shoulder		2	2	2						2	
" Thigh		1	1	1						1	
" Toe		1	1	1						1	
Dysentery, Acute	2	14	16	12	1		1		2	16	

REPORT OF DISEASES, &c. —*Continued.*

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1867.	Admitted during 1868.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Improper Objects.	Died.	Total.	Remaining Dec. 31, 1868.
Dysentery, Chronic	1	3	4	3						3	1
Dyspepsia	1	3	4	3	1					4	
Dysmenhorrœa		1	1			1				1	
Ear, Disease of		3	3	1	1		1			3	
Ebrietas		40	40	40						40	
Emphysema		1	1		1					1	
Epididymitis		21	21	17	1					18	3
Epilepsy		4	4	3	1					4	
Epithelioma		6	6	3					2	5	1
Erysipelas		11	11	7					2	9	2
Eye, Diseases of	2	19	21	8	9					17	4
Febricula		8	8	5	2				1	8	
Fever, Congestive		22	22	19					3	22	
" Intermittent	9	126	135	118	2		4			124	11
" Remittent	3	143	146	128	4	1	6			139	7
" Typhus	1	6	7	3					4	7	
" Typhoid	1	37	38	29	1				7	37	1
Fistula in Ano		7	7	3	2	1				6	1
" Recto-vaginal		1	1		1					1	
Fracture of Cranium		14	14						14	14	
" Clavicle		5	5	3	1		1			5	
" Inf. Maxilla		2	2	1	1					2	
" Sup. Maxilla		3	3	3						3	
" Patellæ		2	2	2						2	
" Pelvis		2	2	2						2	
" Ribs		6	6	4	1				1	6	
" Spine		10	10	4	1				9	9	1
" Upper Ext's	5	29	34	25	4		2			31	3
" Upper Ext's Comp.	5	25	30	16	3	5			6	30	
" Lower Ext's	9	58	67	51	3				1	55	12
" Lower Ext's Comp.	6	37	43	21	1	9			11	42	1
Furuncle		3	3	1	1					2	1
Genital Organs, Disease of		2	2	2						2	
Gangrene		4	4	2	1				1	4	
Gelationes	2	16	18	18						18	
Gleet		14	14	11	3					14	
Gonorrhœa	8	87	95	76	12	2	1			91	4
Hemorrhage		1	1						1	1	
Hæmoptysis		7	7	1	5				1	7	
Heart, Diseases of	2	29	31	1	7	1	1		14	24	7
Heat, Effects of		29	29	20	1				8	29	
Hemiplegia	2	15	17	7	3	1	2	1		14	3
Hemorrhoids	1	5	6	1	4					5	1

REPORT OF DISEASES, &c.—*Continued.*

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1867.	Admitted during 1868.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Improper Objects.	Died.	Total.	Remaining Dec. 31, 1868.
Hepatitis		1	1	1						1	
Hydrocele		11	11	7	1	2	1			11	
Hysteria		1	1	1						1	
Icterus		2	2	2						2	
Inflammation		8	8	6	2					8	
" of Stomach		1	1						1	1	
Injuries	5	59	64	39	13				1	53	11
Insanity	3	10	13	2	2	1	1	7		13	
Kidneys, Rupture of		1	1						1	1	
Laryngitis		1	1	1						1	
Leucorrhœa	1	5	6	2	3					5	1
Liver, Rupture of		1	1						1	1	
Malarial Cachexia		10	10	9						9	1
Malingering		7	7				1	6		7	
Morbus Coxarius		3	3	2	1					3	
Necrosis	5	21	26	10	11	1			2	24	2
Neuralgia		5	5	4				1		5	
Œdema of Lungs		1	1						1	1	
Œsophagus, Stricture of	1		1						1	1	
Onychia		1	1	1						1	
Oxaluria		1	1	1						1	
Ozæna		3	3		3					3	
Orchitis		6	6	2	1		2			5	1
Paralysis	1	7	8	3	2		1			6	2
Paraphymosis		5	5	4						4	1
Paronychia	1	13	14	11	2					13	1
Parturition		1	1						1	1	
Periostitis	1	2	3	2	1					3	
Peritonitis		8	8	2					6	8	
Phthisis	17	95	112	2	54	9	8		29	102	10
Pleuritis		15	15	8	3					11	4
Pneumonia	4	24	28	17					11	28	
Poisoning by Opium		3	3	2					1	3	
Pyæmia	2	6	8						8	8	
Rectum, Stricture of		2	2	1					1	2	
Rheumatism, Acute	9	85	94	57	17	1	6			81	13
" Chronic	3	60	63	31	16	2	1			50	13
Sarcocele		1	1	1						1	
Sciatica		3	3	1	1					2	1
Scarlatina		2	2	2						2	
Scorbutus		6	6	6						6	
Skin, Diseases of	1	30	31	17	11		1			29	2
Sprain	1	13	14	9	3		1			13	1

REPORT OF DISEASES, &c.—*Continued.*

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1867.	Admitted During 1868.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Improper Objects.	Died.	Total.	Remaining Dec. 31, 1868.
Submersion		1	1	1						1	
Synovitis	6	9	15	8	6					14	1
Syphilis, Primary	21	187	208	152	25	1	5			183	25
" Secondary	22	100	122	77	33		1		1	112	10
Talipes		1	1	1						1	
Tetanus		1	1						1	1	
Tænia		1	1	1						1	
Tonsilitis	3	15	18	15	2		1			18	
Tumors		15	15	9	3					12	3
Ulcers	12	88	100	67	19	1	1			88	12
" Varicose		3	3	3						3	
Urethra, Stricture of	3	29	32	19	10		1		2	32	
Uræmia		2	2						2	2	
Urine, Retention of		2	2	1	1					2	
" Extravasation of		1	1						1	1	
Varicocele		1	1		1					1	
Wounds, Contused		18	18	12	3					15	3
" Gunshot	2	22	24	12	5	1			6	24	
" of Head and Neck		15	15	9	5					14	1
" Incised	2	23	25	18	3				3	24	1
" Lacerated		34	34	23	5				1	29	5
" Punctured		1	1						1	1	
" of Lower Extremities		2	2	1	1					2	
" of Upper Extremities	3	2	5	5						5	
Total	221	2392	2613	1614	405	46	69	16	235	2385	228

NATIVITY OF PATIENTS.

United States	807	East Indies	6
British America	62	Italy	11
West Indies	27	Norway	64
England	104	Prussia	13
Scotland	43	Spain	11
Wales	13	Sweden	103
Ireland	646	Switzerland	9
Denmark	36	Russia	14
France	62		
Germany	342	Total	2392
Holland	19		

STATEMENT OF PATIENTS ADMITTED INTO AND DISCHARGED FROM THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL.

From 31st December, 1829, to 31st December, 1868.

	Year.	Total Admitted.	Total Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Improper Objects.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Died.
Remaining 31st December	1829	191				..		
Admitted during	1830	1690	1258	101	126	20	38	150
" "	1831	1870	1381	112	139	29	18	159
" "	1832	1763	1388	94	70	65	20	165
" "	1833	1852	1396	108	102	68	30	146
" "	1834	1721	1266	69	154	32	46	174
" "	1835	1837	1431	72	101	14	25	169
" "	1836	1987	1503	122	101	15	25	197
" "	1837	1769	1305	140	121	24	15	191
" "	1838	1774	1357	155	93	8	22	149
" "	1839	1864	1403	146	77	44	29	169
" "	1840	1797	1317	111	120	18	45	173
" "	1841	2000	1501	84	163	26	40	193
" "	1842	1926	1440	83	141	33	71	150
" "	1843	1902	1239	133	215	44	71	170
" "	1844	2191	1528	134	216	47	114	155
" "	1845	2745	1993	117	230	46	124	216
" "	1846	2699	1838	210	141	40	122	245
" "	1847	3715	2624	233	192	18	108	402
" "	1848	3266	2507	115	145	40	92	372
" "	1849	3329	2589	139	126	10	93	331
" "	1850	3015	2394	108	101	17	88	357
" "	1851	3715	2796	157	139	41	80	422
" "	1852	3576	2862	116	129	41	85	353
" "	1853	3526	2832	107	87	30	78	401
" "	1854	3120	2323	491	192	30	11	372
" "	1855	2623	1951	270	90	13	63	290
" "	1856	3048	2085	374	149	23	66	291
" "	1857	2632	1943	282	115	11	61	277
" "	1858	2222	1506	294	92	25	28	274
" "	1859	2582	1771	269	170	13	60	315
" "	1860	2867	1971	540	100	28	64	316
" "	1861	3343	2183	474		52	45	309
" "	1862	3937	2724	512	63	34	119	400
" "	1863	2801	1919	421	78	28	24	373
" "	1864	3066	1865	506	275	46	24	399
" "	1865	2912	1884	529	109	40	36	326
" "	1866	2402	1536	475	63	23	31	283
" "	1867	2221	1532	411	56	20	43	171
" "	1868	2392	1614	405	46	16	69	235
Total		100188	72255	9249	4827	1202	3323	10246

REPORT OF THE STATE

OF THE

NEW YORK HOSPITAL

AND

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM,

FOR THE YEAR 1869.

NEW YORK:
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1870.

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TO THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF NEW YORK.

THE GOVERNORS OF THE SOCIETY OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL RESPECTFULLY PRESENT THEIR ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE ESTABLISHMENTS UNDER THEIR CHARGE.

The following abstract statement shows the receipts and expenditures from all sources and on all accounts, under their respective heads, during the year 1869.

THE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS OF THE INSTITUTION, FROM ALL SOURCES, DURING THE YEAR 1869, HAVE BEEN:

Balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital, Dec. 31, 1868.		$18,172	01	Paid on account of support of New York Hospital	$63,228	05
Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, Dec. 31, 1868.		2,370	93	Paid on account of support of Bloomingdale Asylum	109,358	07
Received on account of the New York Hospital		45,336	72	Paid expenditures of Committee on Leasing	10,292	85
Received on account of Bloomingdale Asylum		113,333	42	Paid expenditures of farm at White Plains	5,798	86
Received, Donations, Legacies, and Subscriptions		28,625	00	Paid expenditures on Ninth Avenue property	5,024	09
" Rent of North House		833	33	Paid interest on bonds to Samuel Faile	4,900	00
Received Ground Rents of lots on Broadway, Worth, Church, and Duane streets		60,150	00	Paid Interest on bonds to T. H. Faile.	4,200	00
Received for sale of materials of North House		3,000	00	" " " Bank for Savings	2,940	00
Received Award for opening 114th street		1,280	00	Loans on demand	50,000	00
Received Loans on demand		50,000	00	Paid Assessment for opening 114th street	3,604	00
" Insurance Premiums returned		56	23	Paid Bonds to Bank for Savings	70,000	00
" Interest on E. Lord's bond		34	72	Paid Arrears of Taxes	37	71
" Interest on Kean's bond		44	24	Paid on account of Johnston Library Fund	250	00
" Interest on loan on demand		705	84	Paid Assessment for Avenue St. Nicholas and Twelfth Avenue	9,944	00
" on account of Johnston Library Fund		250	00	Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, December 31, 1869	1,346	28
Balance due Bank of Commerce, December 31, 1869		16,731	47			
	$340,923	91			$340,923	91

The financial condition of this corporation on the 31st December, 1869, as compared with that on the 31st December, 1868, stands thus:

On the 31st December, 1868:

Debt on Mortgage	$70,000 00	
" "	60,000 00	
" "	70,000 00	
		$200,000 00
Deduct balance in Bank of America to credit of Asylum	$2,370 93	
Deduct balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital	18,172 01	
		$20,542 94
		$179,457 06

On the 31st December, 1869:

Debt on Mortgage	$60,000 00	
" "	70,000 00	
" to Bank of Commerce	16,731 47	
		$146,731 47
Deduct balance in Bank of America to the credit of Asylum		1,346 28
		$145,385 19

Annexed to this Report is the Report of the Committee on Accounts, showing the several items of receipts and disbursements of the Hospital and Asylum for the year 1869. (See page 24.)

GENERAL HOSPITAL.

The whole number of persons who received the benefits of the New York Hospital, as medical or surgical patients, during the year 1869, was 1,645. The average daily number has been 132.

From January 1, 1869, to May 26, the date of removal from the Main House, and transfer of patients to the South House, the daily average number of patients was 171; and from May 27, 1869, to December 31, during which period the reception and treatment of patients was confined to the South House alone, the daily average was 102.

The number of patients in the Hospital on the 31st of December, 1868, was 228, and there were admitted during the year 1869, 1,417.

Of this number there have been cured	1,116
Relieved	199
Request	35
Discharged as improper objects	7
Eloped, or discharged as disorderly	35
Died	138
	1,530
Remaining 31st December, 1869	115
Total treated	1,645

The total number of inquests held at the Hospital by the coroners during the year was 49, as against 69 during 1868.

From the following causes, viz.:

Railroad accidents	10
Falling from buildings and other injuries	15
Burns and scalds	3
Run over by stages and wagons	4
Stabs, gun-shot wounds, etc.	4
Machinery	6
Various other causes	7
Total	49

Deducting these 49 cases, as above, the number of other deaths was 89.

The practice of the Hospital during the year presents the following results:

The number of weeks occupied by diseased seamen was $65\frac{33}{100}$ per cent. in proportion to the other classes, against $62\frac{20}{100}$ in the year 1868. Of the whole number of patients under actual treatment, $8\frac{33}{100}$ per cent. died; or, taking the ratio of mortality on all discharged, as is done in some similar statistics, $8\frac{95}{100}$ per cent. died. Of the deaths 50 per cent. were surgical cases, and 50 per cent. medical. The amount of cures out of the number discharged, including deaths, shows a proportion of 73 per cent. discharged cured, exclusive of about 13 per cent. more discharged as *relieved* for the time.

Of the cases under treatment in 1869, 903 were surgical, and 742 medical—being about 55 per cent. of the former to 45 per cent. of the latter. On all cases treated, deducting the 49 cases of sudden deaths, the proportion of deaths was about $2\frac{20}{100}$ of surgical to about $9\frac{10}{100}$ per cent. of medical cases. Of the 903 surgical cases of the last year, 256 were from injuries arising from sudden casualties.

An analysis hereto annexed sets forth, in tabular form, the operations of the Hospital in respect to these several classes of patients, and also to other matters of interest. (See page 28.)

The *Hospital Library and Pathological Cabinet* are in a flourishing condition. The Library contains 8,240 volumes, 136 of which have been added during the past year. In respect of the variety and value of its standard works on medicine and surgery, it is second only to the Library of the Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadelphia—the most extensive collection in the United States in this department of medical literature.

During the year the Hospital has lost by death two of the most esteemed and distinguished members of the Board of Physicians and Surgeons—Dr. Alexander H. Stevens, who died on the 30th of March, and Dr. Thomas Cock, who died on the 14th of June.

Dr. Stevens served the Hospital as Attending Surgeon from 1817 to 1839, and as Consulting Surgeon from 1839 to the date of his death. Dr. Cock performed the duties of Attending Physician from 1819 to 1834, and of Consulting Physician from 1834 to the close of his life. Their lives were long, honorable, and useful, and this Board, mindful of their protracted and valued services as members of the Board of Physicians and Surgeons, desire to render this imperfect but sincere tribute to their memory.

In October, 1868, the Board of Governors resolved to lease the land then occupied by the Hospital Buildings, bounded by Broadway, Church, Worth, and Duane streets, and a committee was appointed to carry this resolution into effect. In the month of March last, about one-half of this land was disposed of upon ground rent at satisfactory prices; and in May the Main Building and North House were vacated, the lessees having taken possession of the land occupied by these buildings. By the terms of the leases the Society of the New York Hospital were authorized to continue hospital treatment in the South House until February, 1870, and no longer. Since the 26th of May last the operations of the Hospital have been confined to the South House, a fact which accounts for the reduction of the average number of patients, from 171 previous to that date, to 102.

Some time must elapse before the necessary arrangements for conducting the operations of the General Hospital can be devised and completed; but meanwhile the Board will endeavor to make provision for the relief of those requiring hospital assistance, upon a scale consistent with the present ability of the Society.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM.

The number of insane patients in the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane on the 31st day of December, 1868, was one hundred and fifty-seven; and there have been admitted during the year one hundred and forty, making a total of two hundred and ninety-seven patients during the past year.

Of the number under treatment, one hundred and thirty-eight were males, and one hundred and fifty-nine females.

Of the cases discharged during the year, there were :

Recovered	51
Improved	42
Not improved	16
Died	27
Remaining 31st December, 1869	161

Dwight R. Burrell, M. D., formerly of the New York City Insane Asylum, was appointed Second Assistant Physician in May last.

Annexed are statements showing the general disbursements of the Asylum for the current year, ending December 31, 1869, and a statistical history of the Asylum since it was devoted to private patients only. (See pages 22 and 23.)

Apart from the two cases of Habeas Corpus referred to by the Physician-in-Chief of the Asylum, in his Annual Report, hereto annexed (see p. 15), nothing has occurred in the history of the Institution during the past year that demands special notice. The average number of patients exceeded that of the year ending December 31, 1868, and

their treatment has been attended with about the average results of former years. Dr. Brown's statement of the facts connected with the admission and discharge of the two patients whose confinement at the Asylum was made the subject of judicial investigation under writs of Habeas Corpus, is so ample, and his discussion of the principles involved is so lucid and conclusive, that it only remains for this Board to state, in this connection, that they entirely approve of the course pursued by Dr. Brown in relation to the patients referred to, considering his conduct to have been eminently discreet and humane, and entirely within the limits of his legal obligations to the patients and the public. The administration of the Asylum has always been prosecuted under rules and regulations that afford ample protection against unjustifiable restraint, and these rules and regulations have been invariably practised and enforced. The Board of Governors are confident that the more generally the management of the Bloomingdale Asylum is known, the better will the administration of its functions be appreciated and approved.

In concluding their Annual Report, the Board of Governors desire to refer, briefly, to the causes which have, in their opinion, rendered necessary the removal of the Hospital from the site so long occupied on Broadway.

By reference to their Annual Reports since 1857, when the State appropriation of $22,500 ceased by its own limitation, it will be ascertained that the pecuniary condition of the Hospital has been a subject of constant and serious consideration, and one which has excited the most earnest solicitude. The income of the Hospital had been derived solely from four sources, viz.:

1. Annual grants from the State.
2. Donations from individuals and bequests.
3. Receipts from paying patients.
4. Two mortgages yielding an annual interest of $61.60.

The annual State appropriation had ceased; donations and bequests were always uncertain, and had been rendered still more so by a general conviction of that portion of the community sympathizing with the humane objects of the Hospital, that the valuable land occupied by the Hospital buildings should be made to yield income for the support of the Hospital in some other location. The receipts from patients were much below the cost of their support, and the annual excess of expenditures over receipts from all sources continued to be about $25,000. Meanwhile the number of those requiring hospital treatment was constantly increasing with the rapid growth of the city, and each succeeding year found this corporation with an accumulating debt, and diminished resources for supplying the accommodation and treatment demanded by the exigencies of the poor. Sufferers from casualties requiring *immediate* relief have always been received without regard to their ability to pay the usual rate of board; but other applicants, unable to pay anything for their support, if they could, without detriment, go or be sent elsewhere for treatment, have been refused admission, solely because the Hospital had not the means to furnish gratuitous treatment, except to the exceptional cases above specified.

For several years the Legislature of the State responded to the urgent appeals of the Hospital, with a reduced appropriation, and since 1866 no further State aid has been granted. The Common Council of the city of New York refused to grant any pecuniary assistance whatever. Applications to individuals for donations met with only partial success, although upwards of $80,000 was realized from this source in the year 1864. Subsequent efforts to obtain private contributions were fruitless, the duty of utilizing the Hospital grounds for purposes of income being considered and urged by former contributors as paramount to that of continuing to supply the lower portion of the city with hospital relief; and because of the alleged neglect of this Society to dispose, by lease or otherwise, of the ground occupied for hospital purposes, contributions were refused. The proceedings of the Board of Governors for the last ten years will show that the absorbing theme of dis-

cussion and investigation has been to devise means for the permanent increase of revenue, and in order to extend the benefits of the Hospital to a larger number of the sick and injured; and that the leasing of the lands on Broadway, Worth, Church, and Duane streets, was finally adopted with reluctance, as the only means adequate to solve the problem. To have continued even the *restricted* operations of the Hospital, in the face of accumulating indebtedness and increasing demand for gratuitous hospital treatment, with no ascertained or probable source of additional annual income, would have subjected this Board to the well-merited censure of your honorable body and this community.

Such are the circumstances and motives which controlled the action of the Board of Governors in respect to the old Hospital grounds, and in the light of these facts they are willing to be judged.

The Board are sensible of the heavy responsibility that rests upon them to administer their trust judiciously, liberally, and economically, and are confident that their next Annual Report will make manifest that their sympathies and energy have been successfully devoted to perpetuating and extending the usefulness of the important charity under their charge.

GEORGE T. TRIMBLE,
President.

D. COLDEN MURRAY,
Secretary.

NEW YORK, *March* 1, 1870.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM REPORT.

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Rev. THOMAS M. PETERS, Chaplain.

YEARLY REPORT FOR 1869.

To the Board of Governors of the New York Hospital:

Gentlemen: In accordance with your regulations, the general operations of the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane, for the year 1869, are presented in the following table:

On January 1, 1869.	Males.	Females.	Totals.
The number of patients in the Asylum was	77	80	157
Admitted since to January 1, 1870	61	79	140
Total number during 1869	138	159	297
Of these were discharged, recovered	23	28	51
" " " improved	22	20	42
" " " not improved	9	7	16
Died	15	12	27
Total number discharged and died	69	67	136
Remaining December 31, 1869	69	92	161
Average number resident during 1869	..	..	171

Of those discharged improved, a number were evidently convalescent, of whom seven are known to have entirely recovered at their homes. Among those not improved were also seven individuals who, for various reasons, but mainly because of limited means, were removed to other asylums.

The deaths were attributable to pulmonary consumption in two cases; to general paralysis in four; to apoplexy in six; to acute mania in three; to the exhaustion of chronic mania and advanced age in six; to marasmus in two; to cerebro-spinal meningitis in one; to suicide by suspension in one; to abscess of the brain in one; and to disease of the heart—atrophy and incompetence of the mitral valves—in one.

Four of the patients who died were over seventy years of age. Six others had been in the asylum less than two weeks at the time of death. The average number of patients resident was higher than during the previous year.

Dwight R. Burrell, M. D., was appointed Second Assistant Physician to the Asylum in May last, having previously held a similar position in the New York City Asylum. His former experience and his assiduity have made him a valuable officer.

During the course of the past year two patients were discharged from the asylum by order of Court, after nominal examination, under process of Habeas Corpus. In these cases application for the writ was made by persons having no kindred with, nor permanent interest in, the patients themselves. Through the same agency, and by means of newspaper communications, public attention was attracted to the proceedings, regardless of the best welfare of the party most nearly affected. The proceedings were even incorrectly reported in the daily press, and certain journals, finding a convenient pretext in these perverted reports, put forth grave homilies upon the dangers to unoffending citizens from modern "lettres-de-cachet," and upon the mysteries of mad-houses. No public response thereto was made by any one

representing the Institution, and it is possible that some individuals, who accept anonymous and vehement assertions as reliable evidence, may have been led to believe that your Asylum could be used to confine sane persons, whose relatives might mistakenly imagine them deranged, or maliciously declare them to be so for some improper purpose. Among other allegations, it was charged that hospitals for the insane sometimes detain persons not dangerous, for purposes of gain, and it was intimated that such motive might influence the management at Bloomingdale, where nearly one-half of all the patients are supported for less than cost, and where, by the generous contributions of its Governors, numbers of insane persons have been restored to health, who, but for such aid, would have become incurable and permanent burdens to their families or to the State.

Another imputation was that of releasing patients from custody in anticipation of a hearing upon writ of *Habeas Corpus,* because the pecuniary interests of the Institution might be injuriously affected by public examination of those persons, whereas the real motive for such cause was a desire to screen those committed to our care from exposure to general curiosity and remark. The truth respecting the two patients referred to, is, that in both instances the fact of insanity had been determined by numerous disinterested witnesses, and that all the requirements of the law had been complied with, before the patients were brought here. In each case the family of the affected person were actuated by the best possible motives, and it is also probable that human life would have been endangered, in each case, by neglect to take the course adopted.

Of the judicial examination as to the insanity of these persons, it may not be improper to say, that the legal aspects of the question were the only ones considered; the medical conditions being wholly ignored or subordinated. The only test deemed essential for deciding whether the patient was of unsound mind, or in a condition to go at large, was that of probable danger to life in the event of his discharge from custody. The Governors and officers of the Institution could, of course, have

no partisan interest in such examinations. Hence, whatever objection to the patient's discharge was made in either case, came from the relatives of the subject. It is satisfactory to know that no censure could reasonably attach to the Institution, and that, so far as I know, not a single individual having a relative or friend in our charge expressed the slightest distrust of our management, notwithstanding the misrepresentations referrred to.

The assumption by a few journals that more stringent laws than those now existing are needed to prevent unjust confinement of persons in insane hospitals, need not be combated here, because the practice and the intention at Bloomingdale is to comply with the laws, whatever they may be; but those most familiar with this subject know that the laws are already so stringent as frequently to discourage resort to the best method of caring for persons attacked by insanity, until the period of curability has passed away.

As to the probability of improper admission or detention of sane persons in an Institution which neither seeks pecuniary profits, nor even to defray all its expenses by receipts from patients, it is too shadowy to merit serious discussion anywhere; but, if the prejudices natural to ignorance and superstition occasionally find lodgment in minds which cannot justly plead such excuse, the best efforts of philanthropy and of medical science are also liable to be occasionally thwarted by the authority of law, which esteems the maintenance of its own principles as of more importance than the health or life of an isolated individual. I am not unconscious of the tendency of professional bias, and do not undervalue the necessity for a jealous regard on the part of the law for the personal liberty of all citizens, nor the need of careful, frequent, and disinterested supervision of *all* institutions for the care and treatment of the insane. On the contrary, I deem such supervision essential, alike for the welfare of insane patients and for the encouragement and protection of their guardians, and believe it should be made universal by legislative authority.

In reference, however, to the danger of improper confinement of persons in insane hospitals, I am fortunately able to quote the views of a jurist of a neighboring State, as expressed in a recent decision upon a case of Habeas Corpus, precisely similar to those under consideration. Application having been made in December last, for the discharge of an insane patient from the Pennsylvania Hospital for the Insane, at Philadelphia, the Court, Judge Ludlow, said :

"We have spoken of a Hospital for the Insane as a home for the "sick and not a prison, and in giving an interpretation to the law, "this thought must not be overlooked. This Institution is like, in "many respects, other public charities; but, inasmuch as its patients "are afflicted with a subtle and peculiar disease, its powers, in prac- "tice, exceed that of other asylums, in that, while it treats disease, it "must of necessity exercise restraint. There are three reasons why this "should be so: First, because the anxiety and distress of family and "friends are thus alleviated; secondly, because the community is there- "by protected; and thirdly, because the patient is guarded and cared "for, and, it may be, cured. When it appears by any evidence that a "person has been sent to the Asylum from a corrupt motive, or is un- "necessarily restrained of his or her liberty, then indeed the potent "agency of the great writ cannot be too speedily invoked; but when, "in any case, it appears that no motive exists, except the kindest and "most benevolent, for the separation of one member of the family from "all the rest, or of an individual from society, the Court ought to act "with the greatest delicacy and care, before, by discharging the patient, "it inflicts what in many cases proves to be irreparable injury. My "own individual experience upon this bench justifies this remark; for "while a premature discharge has, in one instance at least, caused the "most disastrous results, in many cases the advice of the eminent "Superintendent of the Pennsylvania Hospital has proved to have "been of the wisest and most beneficent character, and a disregard of "it has been attended with nothing but unmixed injury."

I trust the great length to which I have extended remark upon the above subject will not be deemed excessive in view of our late experience of its importance, nor the extract from Judge Ludlow's judicious comments be thought inappropriate in this communication. Judge Ludlow's decision and remarks, if published at length, conjointly with the annual reports of this and other Asylums for the Insane, during the current year, would probably do much good in removing injurious prejudice and in establishing public confidence in a class of valuable philanthropic institutions. Those institutions and their officers are liable to misapprehension and unjust criticism from various sources and for various reasons. The relation of the officers to those under their charge often compels them to observe persistent silence under strong provocation to speak or write in self-defence. This is an obligation of professional duty, and must be observed to the point at which personal or professional honor becomes involved. Having maintained silence hitherto, despite public demands for explanation, relative to the cases which called forth these remarks, I have ventured to express myself fully to your Board, as the authority to which I am responsible for my official management.

That the prosperity and usefulness of the Institution has been equal to its previous history, the Board of Governors will have had sufficient evidence from their own frequent and thorough examinations, made each week throughout the year. In such supervision by Trustees composed of the best class of citizens, the community have the most reliable guarantee against unjust confinement of persons erroneously supposed to be insane, and against unreasonable delay in discharging those who have recovered; and likewise equal security for the humane treatment of all confided to its care.

If the Institution were better known, by personal examination, to the members of the Judiciary and to those who seek to enlighten the public mind through the press, it would probably be more often praised than censured for its efforts to avert mental ruin, and the long train of

wretchedness to individuals and families, which too often follows upon incurable mental disease. But, under any circumstances, through good report and through evil report, it must continue its beneficent work, trusting that in the future, as during its past history of over half a century, those who shall know most of its purposes and its administration will appreciate and approve them accordingly.

Very respectfully submitted.

(Signed) D. T. BROWN.

Account of General Disbursements of the Bloomingdale Asylum from January 1st, 1869, to December 31st, 1869.

ARTICLES OF FOOD.	
Fish, Clams, Oysters	$1,973 33
Beef, Mutton, Veal	19,536 48
Poultry	1,160 31
Eggs	1,058 35
Flour, Meal, Buckwheat, etc	2,868 39
Hams, Sausages, Lard, Smoked Beef	1,334 43
Rice, Barley, Beans, Tapioca	477 33
Butter	7,138 28
Cheese	286 81
Coffee, Cocoa, Chocolate	483 57
Tea	1,722 97
Crushed Sugar	901 87
Coffee and Powdered Sugar	1,937 88
Syrup and Molasses	198 04
Fruit, green and dried	2,335 44
Salt, Spices, Sweet Oil	306 89
Vinegar	180 54
Milk	455 00
Potatoes, Parsnips, Cabbages	866 71
Ice	219 04
	$45,441 66

SUNDRIES.	
Repairs and Improvements	$1,344 93
Furnace Castings, Pipe, etc	528 85
Blacksmithing	331 98
Plumbing	809 61
Tin, Copper, and Sheet-Iron work	438 05
Gas, Kerosene	1,671 58
Stationery, Books, Newspapers	698 17
Hardware, Cutlery	879 08

SUNDRIES—Continued.	
Medicine	$909 59
Liquors	634 79
Soap and Material	826 41
Oats, Ground Feed, Grains	1,458 23
Salaries	7,083 55
Wages	22,781 20
Dry Goods, Blankets, Sheets, etc	1,144 09
Lumber, Lime, Brick	854 59
Paints, Oil, Painting	2,981 81
Furniture, Oil Cloths, Carpetings, Mattresses, etc	5,357 86
Crockery	453 40
Coal, Charcoal	1,552 08
Starch, Indigo	176 75
Straw, Hay	530 81
Brooms, Brushes, Mats	245 85
House cleaning	241 25
Water Rate	75 00
Farming Implements, Manure	325 75
Seeds, Roots, Seed Potatoes	74 40
Contingencies, Travelling Expenses, Counterfeit, etc	337 51
Carriage	220 00
Harness	280 14
Live Stock	345 00
Carriage Hire	525 75
Amusements, Pianos, Magic Lantern, etc	1,296 87
Carriage Hire for Patients	424 00
	$57,838 93
Articles of Food added	45,441 66
	$103,280 59

The following Table exhibits the history of the Asylum since it was devoted to private patients only.

YEAR.	Admitted.	Whole number during the year.	Whole number discharged and died	Recovered.	Improved.	Not improved.	Died.	Remaining at end of year.	Average number.
1849	95	214	111	44	33	13	21	103	112
1850	97	200	90	40	15	7	18	110	110
1851	95	205	83	43	20	9	11	122	114
1852	104	226	107	47	25	15	18	119	117
1853	135	254	130	49	27	32	22	124	133
1854	122	246	119	48	29	16	26	127	126
1855	107	234	107	52	13	23	19	127	127
1856	134	261	117	54	27	17	19	144	140
1857	128	272	126	49	37	25	15	146	141
1858	112	258	113	34	34	34	11	145	146
1859	138	283	131	55	32	26	18	152	152
1860	150	302	147	50	46	22	29	155	159
1861	111	266	115	42	36	18	19	151	154
1862	117	268	111	48	24	19	20	157	148
1863	115	272	130	53	47	16	14	142	151
1864	140	281	111	52	30	12	17	170	162
1865	152	323	152	66	36	22	28	171	176
1866	132	303	135	66	33	12	24	168	163
1867	144	312	151	58	43	22	28	161	172
1868	136	297	140	55	48	17	20	157	166
1869	140	297	136	51	42	16	27	161	171

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR 1869.

The Committee appointed in obedience to the By-Laws to audit the accounts of the Hospital, and to make an inventory of all the real and personal estate belonging to the Corporation, and a schedule of all the deeds, etc., in custody of the Treasurer, and a general statement of all the accounts, report as follows:

The Receipts of the New York Hospital during the past year have been:

Board of Seamen	$33,196 00	
Board of pay-patients	11,691 99	
Articles sold	448 73	
		$45,336 72

And there has been paid during the year:

House expenses	$38,122 43
Wages	13,541 60
Night nursing	635 25
Repairs, $454 24; Furniture, $30 50	484 74
Gas-light, $1,754 55; Library, $434 05	2,188 60
Burials, $274 00; Pathological Cabinet, $458 62	732 62
Engineer's Department, Plumbing, etc.	848 72
Liquors and Wines, $1,817 87; Porter, $529 50	2,347 37
Medicines, $1,941 44; Leeches, $16 75	1,958 19
Apothecary shop, for alcohol, lint, bandages, adhesive plaster, etc.	1,065 27
Surgical instruments, oiled silk, muslin, India-rubber cloth, etc.	275 60
Seamen's Retreat, for board of colored seamen	16 00

Commissioners of Charities, for board of a lunatic soldier	$126 50	
Indexing Case Books	275 00	
Gratuity to Librarian	100 00	
Repairs to South House	73 31	
Eleventh street House moving, carpenter's work, etc	436 85	
		$63,228 05
Payments over receipts for the New York Hospital in 1869 were		$17,891 33

The Receipts of the Bloomingdale Asylum during the year were :

Board of patients	$111,993 92	
Articles sold	1,339 50	
		$113,333 42

The payments for the same period have been :

House expenses	$72,116 92	
Wages	29,818 74	
Repairs	1,344 93	
Clothing	6,077 48	
		$109,358 07
Excess of receipts over payments for the Asylum in 1869		$3,975 35
The total receipts of the Institution for the year, as above		$158,670 14
The total expenditure of the Institution for the same time		172,586 12
Excess of expenditure over receipts for the year 1869		$13,915 98

The receipts and payments of the Institution from all sources during the year 1869 *have been :*

Balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital, December 31, 1868	$18,172 01	Paid on account of support of New York Hospital	$63,228 05
Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, December 31, 1868	2,370 93	Paid on account of support of Bloomingdale Asylum	109,358 07
Received on account of the New York Hospital	45,336 72	Paid expenditures of Committee on leasing	10,292 85
Received on account of the Bloomingdale Asylum	113,333 42	Paid expenditures of farm at White Plains	5,798 86
Received donations, legacies, and subscriptions	28,625 00	Paid expenditures on Ninth Avenue property	5,024 09
Received rent of North House	833 33	Paid interest on bonds to Sam'l Faile	4,900 00
" Ground Rents of lots on Broadway, Worth, Church, and Duane streets	60,150 00	Paid interest on bonds to T. H. Faile'	4,200 00
Received for sale of materials of North House	3,000 00	Paid interest on bonds to Bank for Savings	2,940 00
" award for opening 114th street	1,280 00	Loans on demand	50,000 00
Received Loans on demand	50,000 00	Paid assessment for opening 114th street	3,604 00
Received insurance premiums returned	56 23	Paid bonds to Bank for Savings	70,000 00
Received interest on E. Lord's bond	34 72	" arrears of Taxes	37 71
Received interest on Kean's bond	44 24	" on account of Johnston Library Fund	250 00
Received interest on loan on demand	705 84	Paid assessment for Avenue St. Nicholas and Twelfth avenue	9,944 00
Received on account of Johnston Library Fund	250 00	Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, December 31, 1869	1,346 28
Balance due Bank of Commerce, December 31, 1869	16,731 47		
	$340,923 91		$340,923 91

The Committee have examined all the accounts presented to them and have found them correct ; they are herewith presented.

For a schedule of deeds, bonds, etc., the Committee beg to refer to the Treasurer.

SHEPPARD GANDY,
JAS. B. JOHNSTON,
GEORGE CABOT WARD, } *Committee.*

NEW YORK HOSPITAL, *January 19th.* 1870.

GENERAL EXPENSES OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL

FOR THE YEAR 1869.

HOUSE EXPENSES.			Amt. brought forward		$38,122 43
Beef.....72,947 lbs.	$10,845 66		Repairs.....	$454 24	
Mutton and Veal. 18,320 "	2,681 46		Furniture.....	30 50	
Pork.....	34 70		Gas Light.....	1,754 55	
Meal.....	137 16		Burials.....	274 00	
Rice.....1,158 lbs.	120 83		Library.....	434 05	
Butter.....76,07 "	3,410 86		Pathological Cabinet.....	458 62	
Cheese.....	23 09		Engineer's Department...	848 72	
Coffee.....1,751 lbs.	559 34				4,254 68
Tea.....784 "	779 55				
Sugar.....1,840 "	1,391 29				
Flour.....258 bbls.	2,197 46		Seamen's Retreat.....	$16 00	
Molasses.....	49 80		Commrs. of Charities, etc..	126 50	
Potatoes.....259 bbls.	786 62		Indexing Case Books.....	275 00	
Oil.....	50 26		Gratuity to Librarian.....	100 00	
Wood.....	185 00		Repairs to South House...	73 31	
Coal.....873 tons.	7,269 30		Eleventh Street House....	436 85	
Vinegar.....	35 01				1,027 66
Hard Soap.....	318 55				
Milk.....34,943 qts.	2,220 47		WAGES.		
Candles.....	32 40				
Salt.....	31 30		Superintendent.....	$1,250 00	
Yeast and Hops.....	10 35		Assistant Superintendent..	480 00	
Spices.....	73 06		Matron.....	145 80	
Bedding.....	105 59		Clerk.....	800 00	
Washing.....	118 89		Chaplain.....	350 00	
Ice.....	529 66		Apothecary.....	1,000 00	
Poultry.....	460 69		Librarian.....	250 00	
Fish.....	745 11		Engineer, Nurses, and Ser-		
Eggs.....	735 55		vants.....	9,265 80	
Vegetables.....	713 06		Night Nursing.....	635 25	
Fruit.....	252 68				14,176 85
Crackers.....	49 21				
Starch.....	41 90		MEDICINES AND SURGERY.		
Straw.....	47 72				
Earthenware.....	70 73		Liquors and Wines.....	$1,817 87	
Tinware.....	50 60		Porter.....	529 50	
Woodenware.....	167 07		Leeches.....	16 75	
Hardware.....	118 26		Medicines.....	1,941 44	
Cartage.....	159 03		Apothecary Shop.....	1,065 27	
Stationery.....	130 10		Instruments.....	275 60	
Carriage Hire.....	56 15				5,646 43
Printing.....	326 91				
	$38,122 43				$63,228 05

TABULAR ANALYSIS.

There were in the House on the 1st of January, 1869.....	228	patients.
" received during the year.....	1,417	"
Total treated.....	1,645	"
Discharged, including deaths.....	1,530	"
Remaining December 31st, 1869.....	115	"

Of those under treatment January 1st, 1869—

142 were seamen.	
68 were pay patients.	
18 were non-paying patients.	
Total.....	228

Of those admitted during the year—

811 were seamen.	
441 were pay patients.	
165 were non-paying patients.	
Total.....	1,417
Making the whole number treated, as above.....	1,645

Of the pay patients, 104 became non-paying patients, and remained such during their continuance in the Hospital—about 421 weeks.

Of those remaining December 31st, 1869—

74 were seamen.	
28 were pay patients.	
13 were non-paying patients.	
Total.....	115

The foregoing statement shows the following results, viz.:

953 seamen have been under treatment, equal to	4,501	weeks.
509 pay patients " " " "	1,785	"
183 non-paying patients " " " .	603	"
1,645 patients treated, in the aggregate,	6,889	"

The time thus stated has been occupied by the several classes of patients thus:

65.35 per cent. by seamen.
25.90 " pay patients.
8.75 " non-paying patients.

Average proportion out of the discharges (including deaths from casualties):

Cured, per cent	$73\frac{00}{100}$
Relieved	$13\frac{00}{100}$
Request	$2\frac{30}{100}$
Disorderly, or eloped	$2\frac{30}{100}$
Improper objects	$\frac{45}{100}$
Of death, including deaths from accidents, etc	$8\frac{95}{100}$
" excluding " " " falling under the charge of the Coroner	$4\frac{51}{100}$

The average daily number in the House has been 132.

REPORT OF DISEASES AND THEIR RESULTS

Coincident with the Admissions and Discharges of the New York Hospital during the Year 1869.

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1868.	Admitted during 1869.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Improper Objects.	Died.	Total.	Remaining Dec. 31, 1869.
Abscess	4	23	27	21	4					25	2
Adenitis	1	6	7	4	3					7	
Albuminuria, or Bright's Disease of Kidneys	4	27	31	1	13		1		11	26	5
Anchylosis		1	1	1						1	
Aneurism, Popliteal	1	1	2	1		1				2	
" Subclavian		2	2						2	2	
" Abdominal	1	1	2		1				1	2	
" Thoracic	1		1		1					1	
Aphasia		2	2	1	1					2	
Apoplexy		3	3		1				2	3	
Brain, Concussion of		13	13	8					3	11	2
" Inflammation of		1	1	1						1	
Bronchitis, Acute	1	14	15	7	1				2	10	5
" Chronic	1	2	3	3						3	
Burns	5	11	16	10	1				5	16	
Calculus, Biliary		1	1	1						1	
Cancer of Stomach	2	1	3		1				2	3	
" of Hand		1	1	1						1	
" of Rectum		1	1		1					1	
Cephalalgia	2	4	6	6						6	
Cholera		1	1						1	1	
" Morbus		1	1	1						1	
Cirrhosis of Liver	1	7	8		2				5	7	1
Colica		3	3	3						3	
Condylomata		1	1	1						1	
Constipation		3	3	3						3	
Contusions	4	22	26	24	1					25	1
Convulsions		4	4	3	1					4	
Cystitis		4	4		3					3	1
Debilitas	9	51	60	34	5	13	3	1	3	59	1
Delirium Tremens	2	19	21	18	1				2	21	
Diphtheria	2		2	2						2	
Diarrhœa, Acute	2	6	8	8						8	
Carried forward											

REPORT OF DISEASES, &c.—*Continued.*

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1868.	Admitted during 1869.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Improper Objects.	Died.	Total.	Remaining Dec. 31, 1869.
Brought forward											
Diarrhœa, Chronic		4	4	3						3	1
Dislocation of Arm		2	2		1					1	1
" Clavicle		1	1				1			1	
" Finger		1	1	1						1	
" Hip		1	1		1					1	
" Knee		1	1	1						1	
" Thumb		1	1	1						1	
Dysentery, Acute		6	6	4			1		1	6	
" Chronic	1	3	4	4						4	
Dyspepsia	1	4	5	2	3					5	
Ebrietas		38	38	35			2			37	1
Elephantiasis		1	1	1						1	
Empyema		1	1						1	1	
Epididymitis	2	17	19	17	1					18	1
Epilepsy		1	1	1						1	
Epithelioma		2	2	1					1	2	
Erysipelas	2	12	14	12					1	13	1
Eye, Diseases of	5	4	9	6	1					7	2
Exhaustion		4	4						4	4	
Febricula		15	15	10						10	5
Fever, Congestive		8	8	5					3	8	
" Intermittent	8	79	87	82		1				83	4
" Remittent	9	52	61	57	1	1	1			60	1
" Typhus		1	1	1						1	
" Typhoid	4	20	24	15			1		8	24	
Fistula in Ano		1	1	1						1	
Fracture of Clavicle		5	5	3	2					5	
" Cranium		8	8						7	7	1
" Sup. Maxilla		2	2	2						2	
" Patellæ	1	3	4	4						4	
" Pelvis	1	2	3	1					2	3	
" Ribs	1	7	8	5	2				1	8	
" Spine		1	1						1	1	
" Upper Extrem's	4	15	19	15	3					18	1
" " Comp'd		23	23	18	4				1	23	
" Lower Extrem's	7	30	37	26	2				1	29	8
" " Comp'd	6	18	24	13	1				10	24	
Furuncle	1	1	2	1						1	1
Gelationes		5	5	5						5	
Carried forward											

REPORT OF DISEASES, &c.—*Continued.*

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1868.	Admitted, during 1869.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Improper Objects.	Died.	Total.	Remaining, Dec. 31, 1869.
Brought forward.....											
Genito-Urinary Organs, Diseases of	2	3	5	4					1	5	
Gangrene of Lung		1	1							0	1
Gleet	1	8	9	5	3					8	1
Gonorrhœa	4	4	44	37	3					40	4
Hæmorrhage		1	1	1						1	
Hæmorrhoids		6	6	4						4	2
Heat, Effects of		3	3	2		1				3	
Heart, Diseases of	2	6	8		2		1		5	8	
Hemiplegia	3	4	7	2	3	1				6	1
Hernia, Strangulated		4	4		2				1	3	1
" Inguinal		1	1						1	1	
Hydrocele	1	5	6	6						6	
Hydrothorax		2	2						2	2	
Icterus		1	1				1			1	
Inflammation		1	1	1						1	
Injuries	5	29	34	22	6	1	1		1	31	3
Insanity	1	2	3					2	1	3	
Laryngitis		2	2	2						2	
Malarial Cachexia		9	9	7			1			8	1
Malingering	1	5	6	2			1	3		6	
Meningitis, Acute		7	7						7	7	
Morbus Coxarius	2	1	3	1	1				1	3	
Necrosis	3	12	15	10	1	2				13	2
Nephritis		1	1	1						1	
Neuralgia		4	4	2	1		1			4	
Oxaluria		3	3	1	1					2	1
Orchitis		2	2	1	1					2	
Otorrhœa		2	2	1	1					2	
Paralysis	2	5	7	2	1	2			1	6	1
Paraphymosis		2	2	1						1	1
Paronychia	1	8	9	7	1					8	1
Periostitis		1	1	1						1	
Peritonitis	1	8	9	2					7	9	
Pharyngitis		6	6	5	1					6	
Phthisis	12	53	65	3	39	1	7		5	55	10
Pleuritis		10	10	4		1	2		2	9	1
Pneumonia	2	19	21	14		1			5	20	1
Poisoning		4	4	2	1				1	4	
Ptyalism		1	1	1						1	
Pyæmia		8	8						8	8	
Carried forward											

REPORT OF DISEASES, &c.—*Continued.*

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1868.	Admitted during 1869.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Improper Objects.	Died.	Total.	Remaining Dec. 31, 1869.
Brought forward											
Rectum, Stricture of	2	2	4	1	2				1	4	
Rheumatism, Acute	12	72	84	70	3		4			77	7
" Chronic	8	33	41	29	9	1	1			40	1
Rhinoplasty		8	8	6						6	2
Sciatica		1	1	1						1	
Scarlatina		3	3	2				1		3	
Skin, Diseases of	1	8	9	5	2					7	2
Sprain		20	20	17	1		1			19	1
Synovitis	2	7	9	5	3					8	1
Syphilis, Primary	26	120	146	126	14		2			142	4
" Secondary	9	53	62	46	10		1			57	5
Tænia		1	1		1					1	
Trichinosis		3	3	1					2	3	
Tonsillitis		7	7	7						7	
Tumors	3	6	9	7	1	1				9	
Ulcers	14	51	65	50	7					57	8
Urethra, Stricture of	2	25	27	17	8				2	27	
Urine, Retention of		2	2		1		1			2	
Varicocele		2	2	1	1					2	
Wounds, Contused	4	4	8	8						8	
" Gunshot		6	6	4		1			1	6	
" Head and Neck		15	15	9	4	1			1	15	
" Incised	1	14	15	14					1	15	
" Lacerated	5	27	32	20	1	5				26	6
	228	1417	1645	1116	199	35	35	7	138	1530	115

NATIVITY OF PATIENTS.

United States	628	Holland	8
British America	22	Italy	5
West Indies	2	Norway	42
England	80	Prussia	17
Scotland	24	Spain	2
Wales	3	Sweden	93
Ireland	315	Switzerland	14
France	46		
Germany	227	Total	1,530

STATEMENT OF PATIENTS ADMITTED INTO AND DISCHARGED FROM THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL.

From 31*st December*, 1829, *to* 31*st December*, 1869.

	Year.	Total Admitted.	Total Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Improper Objects.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Died.
Remaining 31st December.....	1829	191		...	...	..	...	...
Admitted during.....	1830	1690	1258	101	126	20	38	150
" "	1831	1870	1381	112	139	29	18	159
" "	1832	1763	1388	94	70	65	20	165
" "	1833	1852	1396	108	102	68	30	146
" "	1834	1721	1266	69	154	32	46	174
" "	1835	1837	1431	72	101	14	25	169
" "	1836	1987	1503	122	101	15	25	197
" "	1837	1769	1305	140	121	24	15	191
" "	1838	1774	1357	155	93	8	22	149
" "	1839	1864	1403	146	77	44	29	169
" "	1840	1797	1317	111	120	18	45	173
" "	1841	2000	1501	84	163	26	40	193
" "	1842	1926	1440	83	141	33	71	150
" "	1843	1902	1239	133	215	44	71	170
" "	1844	2191	1528	134	216	47	114	155
" "	1845	2745	1993	117	230	46	124	216
" "	1846	2699	1838	210	141	40	122	245
" "	1847	3715	2624	233	192	48	108	402
" "	1848	3266	2507	145	145	40	92	372
" "	1849	3329	2589	139	126	10	93	331
" "	1850	3015	2394	108	101	17	88	357
" "	1851	3715	2796	157	139	41	80	422
" "	1852	3576	2862	116	129	41	85	353
" "	1853	3526	2832	107	87	30	78	401
" "	1854	3420	2323	491	192	30	11	372
" "	1855	2623	1951	270	90	13	63	290
" "	1856	3048	2085	374	149	23	66	291
" "	1857	2632	1943	282	115	11	61	277
" "	1858	2222	1506	294	92	25	28	274
" "	1859	2582	1771	269	170	13	60	315
" "	1860	2867	1971	540	100	28	64	316
" "	1861	3343	2483	474	...	52	45	309
" "	1862	3937	2724	512	63	34	119	400
" "	1863	2801	1919	421	78	28	24	373
" "	1864	3066	1865	506	275	46	24	399
" "	1865	2912	1884	529	109	40	36	326
" "	1866	2402	1536	475	63	23	31	283
" "	1867	2221	1532	411	56	20	43	171
" "	1868	2392	1614	405	46	16	69	235
" "	1869	1645	1116	199	35	7	35	138
Total.....		101833	73371	9448	4862	1209	3358	10384

REPORT OF THE STATE

OF THE

NEW YORK HOSPITAL

AND

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM,

FOR THE YEAR 1870.

NEW YORK:
D. VAN NOSTRAND, 23 MURRAY ST. AND 27 WARREN ST.
1871.

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TO THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF NEW YORK.

THE GOVERNORS OF THE SOCIETY OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL RESPECTFULLY PRESENT THEIR ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE ESTABLISHMENTS UNDER THEIR CHARGE.

The following abstract statement shows the receipts and expenditures from all sources and on all accounts, under their respective heads, during the year 1870.

THE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS OF THE INSTITUTION, FROM ALL SOURCES,

DURING THE YEAR 1870, HAVE BEEN :

Balance in the Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, January 1st, 1870	$1,346	28	Balance due the Bank of Commerce, January 1st, 1870	$16,731	47
Received on account of the New York Hospital	7,797	70	Paid on account of support of New York Hospital	16,614	33
Received on account of the Bloomingdale Asylum	107,852	82	Paid on account of support of Bloomingdale Asylum	108,736	95
Received Award for opening Westchester avenue	567	00	Paid Insurance on the Hospital and Library	258	75
Received Ground Rent of Lots on Broadway, Worth, Church, and Duane streets	120,300	00	Paid Insurance on the Bloomingdale Asylum	823	00
Received Ground Rents of Lots, corner Ninth avenue and Twenty-ninth street	2,000	00	Paid for Removal of Buildings	2,667	28
Received Interest on Ground Rents	96	69	Paid for Regulating, Sewering, Paving, &c., the New street	3,356	82
Received Interest on E. Lord's Bond	17	36	Paid Legal Expenses	1,988	04
Received on Account of Johnston Library Fund	150	00	Paid for preparing Leases of Ninth avenue Property	167	65
Received for Steam Boilers, &c., Sold	2,050	00	Paid Architect	175	00
			Paid Assessment for opening Westchester avenue	1,005	59
			Paid Assessment for Port Chester Boulevard	2,485	00
			Paid Interest on Debt on Farm at White Plains	10,920	00
			Paid for additional Land at White Plains	2,128	60
			Paid for Quarrying on the Farm at White Plains	3,981	44
			Paid Expenses for Working the Farm at White Plains	1,933	82
			Paid on Account of Johnston Library Fund	150	00
			Paid Rent of House, No. 13 West Eleventh street	4,500	00
			Paid Assessment for Morningside Park	42,761	00
			Balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital, December 31st, 1870	20,330	96
			Balance in the Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, December 31st, 1870	319	97
			Balance in hands of the Warden of Asylum, December 31st, 1870	142	18
	$212,177	85		$242,177	85

The financial condition of this corporation on the 31st December, 1870, as compared with that on the 31st December, 1869, stands thus:

On the 31st December, 1869:

Debt on Mortgage	$60,000 00	
" "	70,000 00	
" to Bank of Commerce	16,731 47	
		$146,731 47
Deduct balance in Bank of America to the credit of Asylum		1,346 28
		$145,385 19

On the 31st December, 1870:

Debt on Mortgage	$60,000 00	
" "	70,000 00	
		$130,000 00
Deduct balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital	$20,330 96	
Deduct balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum	319 97	
Deduct Balance in hand of the Warden of the Asylum	142 18	
		$20,793 11
		$109,206 89

Annexed to this Report is the Report of the Committee on Accounts, showing the several items of receipts and disbursements of the Hospital and Asylum for the year 1870 (See page 16.)

GENERAL HOSPITAL.

In accordance with the condition of the leases upon ground rent of about one half of the Hospital land between Duane, Worth,

Church streets and Broadway, the South House, to which the operations of the General Hospital had been confined since the 26th of May, 1869, was vacated by patients on the 19th of February, 1870. The whole number of persons who received the benefits of the New York Hospital, as medical or surgical patients, from January 1, 1870, to February 19, 1870, was 132. The average daily number in the house, up to that time, was 62.

The number of patients in the Hospital on the 31st of December, 1869, was 115, and there were admitted during the year 1870, 17.

Of this number there have been cured	85
Relieved	30
Request	3
Eloped, or discharged as disorderly	4
Died	10
Total treated	132

The total number of inquests held at the Hospital by the coroners during the same period was 4, as against 49 during 1869.

From the following causes :

Railroad accidents	2
Elevator	1
Suicide	1
Total	4

Deducting these 4 cases, as above, the number of other deaths was 6.

The practice of the Hospital presents the following results :

The number of weeks occupied by diseased seamen was 61 $\frac{33}{100}$ per cent. in proportion to the other classes, against 65 $\frac{33}{100}$ in the year

1869. Of the whole number of patients under actual treatment, $7\frac{58}{100}$ per cent. died. Of the deaths, 40 per cent. were surgical cases, and 60 per cent. medical. The amount of cures out of the number discharged, including deaths, shows a proportion of 64 per cent. discharged cured, exclusive of about 23 per cent. more discharged as *relieved* for the time.

Of the cases under treatment in 1870, 80 were surgical, and 52 medical—being about 61 per cent. of the former to 39 per cent. of the latter. On all cases treated, deducting the 4 cases of sudden deaths, the proportion of deaths was about $\frac{59}{100}$ of surgical to about 11 per cent. of medical cases. Of the 80 surgical cases, 11 were from injuries arising from sudden casualties.

An analysis hereto annexed sets forth, in tabular form, the operations of the Hospital in respect to these several classes of patients, and also to other matters of interest. (See page 20.)

The *Hospital Library and Pathological Cabinet* are in a flourishing condition. The Library contains 8,431 volumes, 192 of which have been added during the past year.

During the year the Hospital has lost by death Dr. Thaddeus M. Halsted, who died July 26, 1870. He was appointed Walker to the Hospital in 1838, Attending Surgeon in 1851, and in 1865, upon resigning this latter office, was elected Consulting Surgeon. In all his relations to the Hospital he was distinguished for his professional knowledge and skill and the zealous discharge of his duties; and as a general practitioner and citizen he was justly esteemed. His death was sincerely deplored by this Institution, the medical profession, and the community at large.

The number of insane patients in the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane on the 1st day of January, 1870, was one hundred and sixty-one; and there have been admitted during the year one hundred and fifty-three, making a total of three hundred and fourteen patients during the past year.

Of the number under treatment, one hundred and forty-three were males, and one hundred and seventy-one females.

Of the cases discharged during the year, there were:

Recovered	60
Improved	44
Not improved	18
Died	27
Remaining 31st December, 1870	165

Annexed are the Annual Report of the Physician-in-Chief of the Asylum and statements showing the general disbursements of the Asylum for the current year, ending December 31, 1870, and a statistical history of the Asylum since it was devoted to private patients only. (See pages 14 and 15.) The Report of the Physician affords gratifying evidence of the enlarged usefulness of the Institution under his immediate charge.

GEORGE T. TRIMBLE,
President.

D. COLDEN MURRAY,
Secretary.

NEW YORK, *February*, 1871.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM REPORT.

Asylum Committee.

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YEARLY REPORT FOR 1870.

To the Board of Governors of the
New York Hospital:

Gentlemen,—In accordance with your regulations, the general operations of the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane, for the year 1870, are presented in the following table:

On January 1st, 1870,	Males.	Females.	Total.
The number of patients in the Asylum was	69	92	161
Admitted since, to January 1st, 1871	74	79	153
Total number during 1870	143	171	314
Of these were discharged, recovered	29	31	60
" " " improved	21	23	44
" " " not improved	10	8	18
Died	12	15	27
Total number discharged and died	72	77	149
Remaining December 31st, 1870	71	94	165
Average number resident during 1870	..	..	166

Among those who left in an improved state of mental health, but before being wholly restored, a considerable number eventually recovered entirely at home.

The deaths were attributable to apoplexy in one case, to acute mania in eight, to the exhaustion incident to chronic mania and its complications in six, to pulmonary consumption in one, to puerperal mania in one, to pneumonia in one, to dysentery in one, to paralytic affections in two, and in one case each to specific cachexia, tuberculous tumor of the brain, abscess of the brain, suicide by suspension, prostration from burns, and exhaustion from prolonged abstinence.

Ten of those who died had been in the Asylum less than two weeks, and two others less than three weeks. Two others were over seventy years of age.

The number of admissions during the year has been somewhat larger than usual, though the average number of residents has been rather less than last year.

The benevolent character of the Institution has been specially shown by the admission of an unusually large number of patients at rates of board below the cost of their support, whereby very many respectable indigent persons have received much more comfortable care than they could have had elsewhere. Charity could not manifest itself in a worthier or more useful manner than in the provision of a permanent fund for the partial aid of this class of sufferers from mental derangement.

In June of the present year, 1871, will be completed the fiftieth year of the Institution in its present location. During its existence here over six thousand patients have received the benefit of its care, of whom more than two thousand are reported as having recovered, and about an equal number as being discharged improved. It is obvious that an Institution which, with an average accommodation

of less than one hundred and fifty patients, during the most of the period named, has afforded such an amount of relief to the most pitiable form of human malady, must be as beneficent in its sphere, and as indispensable in a large community, as any other refuge for misfortune or sickness, and as well deserving of the encouragement and fostering care of benevolent men.

Trusting that ere many years shall pass it may be in a condition to make its advantages available to a larger proportion of persons of moderate means than has been hitherto possible, and that at the same time its accommodations for self-supporting patients may become even more attractive than at present.

I am, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

D. T. Brown.

Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane, *January*, 1871.

Account of General Disbursements of the Bloomingdale Asylum from January 1st, 1870, to December 31st, 1870.

ARTICLES OF FOOD.

Fish (fresh and salt), Oysters, Clams	$3,325 86
Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork	17,898 22
Poultry	761 63
Eggs	1,219 38
Flour, Meal, Buckwheat, &c	2,434 48
Hams, Sausages, Lard, Smoked Beef	1,750 75
Rice, Barley, Beans, Tapioca, &c.	314 32
Butter	5,984 58
Cheese	243 72
Coffee, Cocoa, Chocolate	428 75
Tea	1,368 50
Crushed Sugar	1,047 16
Coffee Sugar	1,251 32
Molasses, Syrup	102 75
Fruit (green and dried)	2,344 74
Spices, Sweet Oil, Salt	222 41
Vinegar	54 20
Condensed Milk	420 50
Potatoes, Parsnips, Cabbages	1,354 83
Ice	635 90
	$43,164 00

SUNDRIES.

Repairs and Improvements	$1,902 07
Furnace Castings, Pipe, &c	383 33
Blacksmithing	212 88
Plumbing	326 56
Tin, Copper, Sheet-Iron work	633 55
Gas, Kerosene	1,727 82
Stationery, Books, Newspapers, Periodicals	710 85

SUNDRIES—Continued.

Hardware, Cutlery, &c.	$[illegible] 43
Medicine	1,045 13
Liquors	596 15
Soap and Material	872 67
Oats, Ground Feed, Grains, &c	1,179 50
Salaries	8,054 46
Wages	24,015 65
Dry Goods, Blankets, Sheets, &c	489 25
Lumber, Lime, Brick	908 24
Paints, Oil, Turpentine, &c	729 36
Furniture, Oil Cloths, Carpeting, Mattresses	4,171 22
Crockery	202 29
Coal, Charcoal	6,750 82
Starch, Indigo	99 38
Straw, Hay	1,[illegible]3 14
Brooms, Brushes, Mats	317 [illegible]
House Cleaning	164 [illegible]
Water Rate	75 00
Farming Implements, Manure	128 28
Seeds, Roots, Seed Potatoes	68 [illegible]
Contingencies	313 [illegible]
Wagons	475 00
Harness	140 [illegible]
Live Stock	325 [illegible]
Carriage Hire	448 [illegible]
Legal Services	286 45
Washing Machine, &c	[illegible] 36
Amusements, Magic and Microscopic	215 58
	$60,375 66

The following Table exhibits the history of the Asylum since it was devoted to private patients only.

YEAR.	Admitted.	Whole number during the year.	Whole number discharged and died.	Recovered.	Improved.	Not improved.	Died.	Remaining at end of year.	Average number.
1849	95	214	111	44	33	13	21	103	112
1850	97	200	90	40	15	7	18	110	110
1851	95	205	83	43	20	9	11	122	114
1852	104	226	107	47	25	15	18	119	117
1853	135	254	130	49	27	32	22	124	133
1854	122	246	119	48	29	16	26	127	126
1855	107	234	107	52	13	23	19	127	127
1856	134	261	117	54	27	17	19	144	140
1857	128	272	126	49	37	25	15	146	141
1858	112	258	113	34	34	34	11	145	146
1859	138	283	131	55	32	26	18	152	152
1860	150	302	147	50	46	22	29	155	159
1861	111	266	115	42	36	18	19	151	154
1862	117	268	111	48	24	19	20	157	148
1863	115	272	130	53	47	16	14	142	151
1864	140	281	111	52	30	12	17	170	162
1865	152	323	152	66	36	22	28	171	176
1866	132	303	135	66	33	12	24	168	163
1867	144	312	151	58	43	22	28	161	172
1868	136	297	140	55	48	17	20	157	166
1869	140	297	136	51	42	16	27	161	171
1870	153	314	149	60	44	18	27	165	166

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS.

FOR THE YEAR 1870.

The Committee appointed in obedience to the By-Laws to audit the accounts of the Hospital, and to make an inventory of all the real and personal estate belonging to the Corporation, and a schedule of all the deeds, &c., in custody of the Treasurer, and a general statement of all the accounts, report as follows:

The Receipts of the New York Hospital during the past year have been:

Board of seamen	$6,658 00	
Board of pay-patients	1,056 66	
Articles sold	83 04	
		$7,797 70

And there has been paid during the year:

House expenses	$6,624 11	
Wages	7,677 82	
Library	533,33	
Pathological cabinet	508 55	
Engineer's department	152 31	
Eleventh-street house	554 59	
Liquors and wines	115 00	
Porter	55 00	
Apothecary shop	60 38	
Medicines	125 31	
Leeches	4 00	
Surgical instruments	203 93	
		$16,614 33

Payments over receipts for the New York Hospital in 1870 were $8,816 63

The receipts of the Bloomingdale Asylum during the year were :

Board of patients	$107,239 45	
Articles sold	613 37	
		$107,852 82

The payments for the same period have been :

House expenses	$69,587 48	
Wages	32,050 11	
Repairs	1,902 07	
Clothing	5,197 29	
		$108,736 95
Payments over receipts for the Asylum in 1870		$884 13
The total expenditure of the Institution for the year, as above		$125,351 28
The total receipts of the Institution for the same time		$115,650 52
Excess of expenditure over receipts for the year 1870		$9,700 76

The receipts and payments of the Institution from all sources during the year 1870 *have been:*

Balance in the Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, January 1st, 1870..	$1,346 28	Balance due the Bank of Commerce, January 1st, 1870...	$16,731 47
Received on account of the New York Hospital.....	7,797 70	Paid on account of support of New York Hospital.....	16,614 33
Received on account of the Bloomingdale Asylum.....	107,852 82	Paid on account of support of Bloomingdale Asylum.....	108,736 95
Received award for opening Westchester avenue	567 00	Paid Insurance on the Hospital and Library	258 75
Received Ground Rents of Lots on Broadway, Worth, Church, and Duane streets.	120,300 00	Paid Insurance on the Bloomingdale Asylum.....	823 00
Received Ground Rents of Lots corner Ninth avenue and Twenty-ninth street ..	2,000 00	Paid for Removal of Buildings	2,667 28
Received Interest on Ground Rents.....	96 69	Paid for Regulating, Sewering, Paving, &c., the New street	3,356 82
Received Interest on E. Lord's Bond.....	17 36	Paid Legal Expenses	1,988 04
Received on account of Johnston Library Fund	150 00	Paid for preparing Leases of Ninth avenue property	167 65
Received for Steam Boilers, &c., Sold.....	2,050 00	Paid Architect	175 00
		Paid Assessment for opening Westchester avenue	1,005 59
		Paid Assessment for Portchester Boulevard.....	2,485 00
		Paid Interest on Debt on Farm at White Plains.....	10,920 00
		Paid for additional Land at White Plains	2,128 60
		Paid for Quarrying on the Farm at White Plains.....	3,981 44
		Paid Expenses of Working the Farm at White Plains..	1,933 82
		Paid on account of Johnston Library Fund.....	150 00
		Paid Rent of House, No. 13 West Eleventh street	4,500 00
		Paid Assessment for Morningside Park.....	42,761 60
		Balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital, December 31st, 1870.....	20,330 96
		Balance in the Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, December 31st, 1870.....	319 97
		Balance in the hands of the Warden of the Asylum, December 31st, 1870.....	142 18
	$242,177 85		$242,177 85

The Committee have examined all the accounts presented to them and have found them correct; they are herewith presented.

For a schedule of deeds, bonds, &c., the Committee beg to refer to the Treasurer.

SHEPPARD GANDY,
GEORGE CABOT WARD,
JONATHAN THORNE,
Committee.

New York Hospital, *January 26th*, 1871.

GENERAL EXPENSES OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL,

FOR THE YEAR 1870.

HOUSE EXPENSES.		Amt. brought forward..		$6,624 11
		Library..	$533 33	
Beef	$1,031 60	Pathological Cabinet	508 55	
Mutton and Veal	290 31	Engineer's Department	152 31	
Pork	5 60	Eleventh-street House	554 59	
Meal	13 35			1,748 78
Butter	327 83			
Cheese	1 75	WAGES.		
Coffee	47 04			
Tea	43 50	Superintendent	$1,083 36	
Sugar	164 21	Assistant Superintendent	120 00	
Flour	115 40	Clerk	800 00	
Molasses	9 50	Chaplain	67 48	
Potatoes	75 25	Apothecary	166 66	
Oil	2 38	Librarian	500 00	
Wood	72 50	Engineers, Nurses, and Servants	3,381 57	
Coal	1,768 25	Gratuities	901 00	
Soap	105 80	Night Nursing	57 75	
Milk	224 70	Janitor	600 00	
Candles	6 48			7,677 82
Salt	4 00			
Spices	8 98			
Ice	136 28	MEDICINES AND SURGERY.		
Poultry	62 17			
Fish	64 24	Wines and Liquors	115 00	
Eggs	89 25	Porter	55 00	
Vegetables	52 03	Apothecary Shop	60 38	
Fruit	23 50	Medicines	125 31	
Crackers	4 02	Leeches	4 00	
Croton Water	95 00	Surgical Instruments	203 93	
Postage	80			563 62
Printing	196 03			
Lumber	38 93			$16,614 33
Tinware	12 85			
Woodenware	4 10			
Hardware	18 69			
Cartage	53 50			
Stationery	189 45			
Bedding	2 36			
Furniture	266 49			
Repairs	123 87			
Carriage Hire	48 75			
Gas	591 60			
Burials	50 00			
Sundries	181 79			
Forward	$6,624 11			

TABULAR ANALYSIS.

There were in the House on the 1st of January, 1870....	115	patients.
" received during the year.....	17	"
Total treated.....	132	"
Discharged, including deaths.....	132	"
Remaining December 31st, 1870.....	0	"

Of those under treatment January 1st, 1870—

74 were seamen.	
28 were pay patients.	
13 were non-paying patients.	
Total.....	115

Of those admitted during the year—

2 were seamen.	
10 were pay patients.	
5 were non-paying patients.	
Total.....	17
Making the whole number treated, as above.....	132

The foregoing statement shows the following results, viz. :

76 seamen have been under treatment, equal to	271	weeks.
38 pay patients " " " "	155	"
18 non-paying patients " " "	13	"
132 patients treated, in the aggregate.	439	"

The time thus stated has been occupied by the several classes of patients thus :

61.73	per cent.	by seamen.
35.31	"	pay patients.
2.96	"	non-paying patients.

Average proportion out of the discharges (including deaths from casualties):

Cured, per cent	64.39
Relieved	22.73
Request	2.27
Disorderly, or eloped	3.03
Of death, including deaths from accidents, &c.	7.58
Of death, excluding deaths from accidents falling under the charge of the Coroner ...	4.58

The average daily number in the House has been 62.

REPORT OF DISEASES AND THEIR RESULTS

Coincident with the Admissions and Discharges of the New York Hospital during the Year 1870.

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1869.	Admitted during 1870.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Died.	Total.
Abscess	3		3	2				1	3
Albuminuria	3	..	3	1	1		1		3
Brain, Concussion of	2	1	3	2	1		..		3
Bronchitis	4		4	2	2				4
Cirrhosis of Liver	1		1		1				1
Contusions	..	2	2		1			1	2
Cystitis	1		1		1				1
Debilitas	1	1	2			2			2
Deformity of Nose	2	1	3	3					3
Diarrhœa, Acute	1		1	1			..		1
Dislocation of Wrist		1	1		1				1
" Arm	1		1	1			..	..	1
Ebrietas	1	1	2	2					2
Epididymitis	1		1	1		..			1
Erysipelas	1		1	1					1
Eye, Diseases of	2		2	1		1			2
Febris	3		3	3					3
" Intermittent	4		4	3	1				4
" Remittent	1		1	1					1
" Typhoid	2		2					2	2
Fracture of Clavicle		1	1		1				1
" Lower Ext's	7	2	9	8	1				9
" " " Comp		1	1					1	1
" Skull	1		1	1					1
Furuncule	1		1	1					1
Gangrene of Lung	1		1		1				1
Gleet	1		1	1					1
Gonorrhœa	4		4	4					4
Hernia	1		1				1		1
Hemiplegia	1		1	1					1
Hæmorrhoids	2		2	2					2
Injuries	3	2	5	3	2				5
Necrosis	2		2	2					2
Oxaluria	1	..	1	1					1
Paralysis	1		1		1				1
Paraphymosis	1		1		1				1
Phthisis	11		11		8		1	2	11
Pleuritis	1	1	2	2					2
Pneumonia	1	1	2		1			1	2

REPORT OF DISEASES, &c.—*Continued.*

	Remaining Dec. 31, 1869.	Admitted during 1870.	Total.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Died.	Total.
Rheumatism, Ac.	9		9	8			1		9
" Ch.	1		1	1					1
Skin, Diseases of	2		2	2					2
Sprain	1		1	1					1
Synovitis	1		1	1					1
Syphilis, Primary	4	1	5	5					5
" Secondary	5		5	5					5
Tenia	1		1		1				1
Ulcers	8		8	6	2				8
Urethra, Stricture of	1		1		1				1
Wounds, Contused	1		1		1				1
" Incised	1		1					1	1
" Lacerated	6	1	7	6				1	7
Total	115	17	132	85	30	3	4	10	132

NATIVITY OF PATIENTS.

United States	47	Portugal	2
British America	3	Greece	1
England	8	Norway	5
Scotland	2	Prussia	1
Ireland	42	Sweden	6
Germany	14		
Denmark	1	Total	132

STATEMENT OF PATIENTS ADMITTED INTO AND DISCHARGED FROM THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL.

From 31st December, 1844, to 31st December, 1870.

	Year.	Admitted.	Cured.	Relieved.	Request.	Improper Objects.	Disorderly and Eloped.	Died.
Admitted during.....	1845	2745	1993	117	230	46	124	216
" "	1846	2699	1838	210	241	40	122	245
" "	1847	3715	2661	238	192	48	108	402
" "	1848	3266	2507	144	145	40	92	372
" "	1849	3329	2589	139	126	19	93	361
" "	1850	3015	2394	108	101	17	88	357
" "	1851	3715	2796	157	139	41	80	432
" "	1852	3576	2862	116	129	18	108	353
" "	1853	3526	2832	107	87	30	78	401
" "	1854	3398	2323	491	192	30	11	373
" "	1855	2753	1951	270	220	13	43	290
" "	1856	3173	2085	374	274	23	66	291
" "	1857	2632	1943	282	115	11	61	277
" "	1858	2222	1506	294	92	25	26	274
" "	1859	2582	1771	269	140	13	60	315
" "	1860	2867	1971	346	109	28	64	316
" "	1861	3343	2483	474	...	52	45	309
" "	1862	3937	2724	575	50	34	119	400
" "	1863	2843	1919	463	78	28	24	373
" "	1864	3066	1865	506	275	46	24	399
" "	1865	2912	1884	529	109	40	36	326
" "	1866	2402	1536	475	63	23	32	283
" "	1867	2221	1532	411	56	20	43	171
" "	1868	2392	1614	405	46	16	69	235
" "	1869	1417	1116	199	35	7	35	138
" "	1870	17	85	30	3	0	4	10
Total.....		73763	52780	7729	3247	708	1655	7919

REPORT OF THE STATE

OF THE

NEW YORK HOSPITAL

AND

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM,

FOR THE YEAR 1871.

NEW YORK:
D. VAN NOSTRAND, 23 MURRAY AND 27 WARREN STREET.
1872.

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TO THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF NEW YORK.

THE GOVERNORS OF THE SOCIETY OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL RESPECTFULLY PRESENT THEIR ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE ESTABLISHMENTS UNDER THEIR CHARGE.

The following abstract statement shows the receipts and expenditures from all sources and on all accounts, under their respective heads, during the year 1871.

THE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS OF THE INSTITUTION, FROM ALL SOURCES,

DURING THE YEAR 1871, HAVE BEEN:

Balance in the Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital, January 1st, 1871	$20,330 96
Balance in the Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, January 1st, 1871	319 97
Balance in the hands of the Warden of the Asylum, January 1st, 1871	142 18
Received on account of the Bloomingdale Asylum	110,663 49
Received Subscriptions to the Library	40 00
Received for Articles Sold	55 00
Received Bequest of John Alstyne and Interest	25,801 07
Received Interest on E. Lord's Bond	17 36
Received Interest on Ground Rent	96 69
Received Interest on P. Kean's Bond	88 48
Received Interest on Loan	182 19
Received Interest on Balances in Bank of Commerce	1,309 82
Received Membership Subscription	40 00
Received Ground Rents of Property on Broadway, Worth, Church and Duane streets	117,411 67
Received Ground Rents of Lots corner Ninth Avenue and Twenty-ninth street	3,000 00
Temporary Loan returned	50,000 00
	$329,528 88

Paid General Expenses of the Hospital	$7,001 44
Paid on account of support of Bloomingdale Asylum	104,229 05
Paid interest on Mortgage on Farm at White Plains	8,050 00
Paid for Purchase of Land at White Plains	4,991 00
Paid for Working the Farm, Quarrying, Building Stone Wall, &c	3,896 57
Paid Architects	6,200 00
Paid for Book of Drafts	28 00
Paid for Legal Services	721 32
Paid Assessment for opening Eleventh avenue	151 60
Paid Assessment for Central Park Extension	9 10
Paid Assessment for Church street Extension	81 53
Paid for Flagging Sidewalk in New Thomas street	85 72
Paid Insurance on Hospital and Library	264 59
Paid Insurance on Asylum	873 14
Paid Rent of House, No. 13 West Eleventh street	4,500 00
Temporary Loans	170,000 00
Balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital, December 31st, 1871	11,549 23
Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, December 31st, 1871	6,613 75
Balance in the hands of the Warden of the Asylum, December 31st, 1871	282 84
	$329,528 88

The financial condition of this corporation on the 31st December, 1871, as compared with that on the 31st December, 1870, stands thus:

On the 31st December, 1870:

Debt on Mortgage	$60,000 00	
" "	70,000 00	
		$130,000 00
Deduct balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital	$20,330 96	
Deduct balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum	319 97	
Deduct balance in hand of the Warden of the Asylum	142 18	
		20,793 11
		$109,206 89

On the 31st December, 1871:

Temporary Loans		$120,000 00
Balance in the Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital		11,549 23
Balance in the Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum		6,613 75
Balance in the hands of the Warden of the Asylum		282 84
		$138,445 82
Deduct debt on Mortgage	$60,000 00	
" " "	70,000 00	
		130,000 00
		$8,445 82

Annexed to this Report is the Report of the Committee on Accounts, showing the several items of receipts and disbursements of the Hospital and Asylum for the year 1871 (see page 22).

The *Hospital Library and Pathological Cabinet* are in a flourishing condition. The Library contains 8,666 volumes, 235 of which have been added during the past year.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM.

The number of insane patients in the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane on the 1st day of January, 1871, was one hundred and sixty-five; and there have been admitted during the year one hundred and forty-one, making a total of three hundred and six patients during the past year.

Of the number under treatment, one hundred and forty-one were males, and one hundred and sixty-five females.

Of the cases discharged during the year, there were:

Recovered	60
Improved	30
Not improved	17
Died	24
Remaining 31st December, 1871	175

Annexed are the Annual Report of the Physician-in-Chief of the Asylum and statements showing the general disbursements of the Asylum for the current year, ending December 31, 1871, and a statistical history of the Asylum since it was established. (See pages 19, 20, and 21.) The Report of the Physician affords gratifying evidence of the continued usefulness of the Institution under his immediate charge.

The General Hospital operations of this Institution were suspended on the 19th of February, 1870, by reason of the leasing of the Hospital grounds on Broadway for business purposes, and have not as yet been resumed.

The policy of this Society, as expressed by resolutions of the Board of Governors, is to re-establish the General Hospital on its lands at Bloomingdale, when the Asylum for the Insane, now occupying these grounds, shall have been transferred to White Plains, where an appropriate site for that purpose was purchased some years since. The plans for suitable Asylum buildings on the White Plains land are now under consideration, but some considerable time must elapse before they can be executed, and a large expenditure will be required for this important object.

Several propositions having reference to an earlier resumption of General Hospital treatment than the present policy of this Society would permit, have been carefully considered; but they have been severally rejected as being inconsistent with those sound principles of action which had constrained the Board of Governors to adopt the course above indicated. The grand and beneficent result this Society seeks to accomplish, is to supply to the deserving poor of the city of New York hospital accommodation *at a rate of compensation to be determined by the pecuniary ability of each applicant for relief.* Any plan for the resumption of direct hospital work by this Society which involves an expenditure for hospital site and buildings, that would necessarily deprive it for a long period of this application of its annual income from the ground rents of the old Hospital grounds, is fatally defective.

Much has been said and written during the last two years respecting the alleged privation of the sick poor, in consequence of the temporary suspension of Hospital operations by this Society. A brief examination of the present limited Hospital treatment extended to that class of this community, and its cause, will, it is to be hoped, refute the unfriendly criticisms of those whose humane motives entitle their conclusions to respectful consideration.

Aside from Bellevue Hospital, a public institution for paupers and operated at the public expense, Hospital accommodation in this city for the industrious poor is greatly in excess of its use, by reason of their inability to pay the required rate of board in Hospitals, and the lack of free beds provided by the benevolent. Until these unoccupied beds are made available for this class of poor, it cannot be asserted, with truth, that there is any present need of *mere* Hospital accommodation. When the New York Hospital suspended its operations, more than one-half of its patients were persons admitted upon the certificate of an officer of the United States Customs, as entitled to the privileges of the United States Hospital Fund, and the Hospital received compensation from the United States Treasury Department under a contract. Of the remainder, there were but few free patients; and after the annual donation from the State was withdrawn, for a period of ten years, the inability of the Institution, from want of income, to extend gratuitous treatment to numerous and worthy applicants, was the cause of constant and painful embarrassment. With an accommodation of 550 beds, it was hardly more than half filled, including all classes of patients. Even as an "Accident Hospital," so called, it had ceased, in a great measure, to fulfil its functions. Men and women, suffering from acute injuries, were hurried by its doors to Bellevue, a distance of several miles, although the Police Department had been repeatedly notified that such cases would always be received by the New York Hospital without reference to compensation. And this was done at imminent risk to the patient's life, and oftentimes, doubtless, with fatal results. This novel treatment of "accident cases" was initiated when Bellevue Hospital became conspicuous as a "School of Instruction," by reason of the establishment of a Medical College in connection with the Hospital.

In view of these facts, it seems obvious that the privation the poor have experienced by the suspension of the Hospital operations of this Society, has been greatly exaggerated, and that what the industrious sick poor of this city most need is *free beds* rather than more Hospitals.

The Board of Governors have now under consideration the expediency of applying a portion of its income in providing Hospital treatment for the poor in existing Hospitals, until the Society is enabled to administer direct treatment, and of establishing a House for the reception and temporary care of persons suffering from sudden injuries or acute maladies.

GEORGE T. TRIMBLE,
President.

D. COLDEN MURRAY,
Secretary.

NEW YORK, *March*, 1872.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM REPORT.

Asylum Committee.

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ELIZABETH L. CLAPP, Matron.
Rev. THOMAS M. PETERS, Chaplain.

YEARLY REPORT FOR 1871.

To the Board of Governors of the
New York Hospital:

Gentlemen,—In accordance with your regulations, the general operations of the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane, for the year 1871, are presented in the following table:

On January 1st 1871,	Males.	Females.	Total.
The number of patients in the Asylum was	71	94	165
Admitted since, and to January 1st, 1872	70	71	141
Total number during 1871	141	165	306
Of these were discharged—			
Recovered	29	31	60
Improved	15	15	30
Not improved	11	6	17
Died	13	11	24
Total number discharged and died	68	63	131
Remaining December 31st, 1871	73	102	175
Average number resident during 1871	..	..	175

The deaths were attributed as follows :

To inflammation of the brain, two; pulmonary consumption, one; apoplexy, three; softening of the brain, four; disease of kidneys, one; disease of heart, one; dysentery, one; chronic diarrhœa, two; acute mania, two; suicide by suspension, one; general debility, three; and the infirmities of age, two.

Three of those who died had been in the Asylum less than one week, and seven others less than three weeks. Nine had passed the age of sixty-five years, and to one who died at eighty two, this house had been a home for forty years.

From the preceding table it will appear that the need for this Asylum, at the close of its fiftieth year, is still as urgent as in the past, and that its former usefulness, as shown by the proportion of patients restored to mental health, has been fully maintained.

For a considerable portion of the year the number of patients has exceeded one hundred and eighty, the departments for both sexes being filled to their capacity; and at the present time—January, 1872—there is an excess of occupants for our limit of comfortable accommodation.

The completion of half a century since the opening of the Asylum may properly suggest the inquiry whether the hopes of its founders have been realized, and whether it has worthily fulfilled the benevolent function which was its only reason for existence, as well as the early promise of those who, at great personal effort, and in the face of public and legislative criticism, persevered to final success, and completed a building which, it is safe to say, has not been equalled in spaciousness of its apartments for patients, nor in solidity and excellence of workmanship, by any other erected for the same purpose in this country.

What were the hopes and predictions of those founders we learn from the First Annual Report of the Asylum Committee, dated "1st

"month, January, 1822," drafted and signed by Thomas Eddy, chairman, which concludes thus:

"The Bloomingdale Asylum deserves to be ranked among those "establishments of the age, which are diminishing in a broad and "liberal scale the circle of human suffering. It promises relief to "those of our species who suffer under the most appalling priva- "tions. It promises not only to lessen their mental agonies, but to "restore many of them to the bosom of society, to their former use- "fulness and to the affections of their families and friends, redeem- "ed from a calamity the most awful and severe which can befal "humanity. We cannot but hope that around such a refuge for "suffering, the warmest feelings and most ardent wishes of the "public will centre. It becomes us to go forward with the good "work we have commenced with fidelity and perseverance, and it "becomes a Christian community to hail with humble confidence "the success of our effort."

It is believed that the hopes and promises thus set forth by one who may be called the creative and guiding mind of this Institution in its inception and infancy will be shown to have been justified and established by a review of the history and operations of the Asylum throughout the fifty years which have since elapsed, and that the confidence of the community thus invoked was amply realized, that it still continues, and that it may well encourage the successors of Thomas Eddy and his colleagues to continue the wise liberality of administration which they adopted at the very beginning of its career, and thus endorse and reaffirm the humane sentiments and purposes which that venerable man announced in its First Report to be the spirit and object of the Institution they had created.

In reviewing the records of the Asylum from 1821 to the close of 1871, as condensed in the appended statistical table, it appears that 6,325 patients have been under its care, and that of these above forty-three per cent., or 2,767, are reported as having "recovered" while 1,460 others were "improved" at time of their removal, many of whom subsequently regained their natural mental health.

The measure of relief of human sorrow thus expressed in figures can be but faintly estimated by any who have not had personal cognizance of the distress incident to any and every case of insanity. To have been instrumental in promoting the restoration of thousands of minds upon which had settled a gloom more dreadful than death itself when it becomes permanent, may be truly deemed "diminishing in a broad and liberal scale the circle of human suffering."

If we now review the past history of the Asylum from another stand-point, that of the economist, it will be found to have been as judicious as it has been philanthropic; for the primary object of its Governors has been the cure of insanity rather than the acquisition of income.

Owing to the unequalled attractions of the building and the felicity of its location, it was immediately after its completion resorted to from all parts of the country by those eager to avail of its advantages, and it is not surprising that its early records should bear the names of patients from various States, conspicuous for personal distinction, or for the social prominence of their families. Yet such was the desire of the Governors that no curable patient should be deprived of its benefits from lack of pecuniary means, that they admitted each year a considerable number of charity patients from this and other counties, and even from adjoining States, until provision was made for this class by the erection of State and municipal institutions elsewhere. Thus, for nearly thirty years, the Asylum found itself unable to meet its current expenses from its current receipts, and was aided in its work by legislative appropriations. Even to this day, the large proportion of one-half of its patients are admitted at rates that do not reimburse the outlay for their care and treatment.

Associated with the reminiscences called up by this occasion are the names of those physicians who became successively the executive officer of the institution, and the influence they exerted in carrying out the aims of the Governors.

For the first ten years of its existence the administration of the Asylum followed the obsolete model of the older English Asylums, with its intricate and conflicting official responsibility; but, throughout the past forty years, it has been conducted upon the present system of organization, which confides the care of its patients to a physician who resides on the premises, and is the principal officer of the establishment. During the earlier half of this period five different physicians held this office; but in the latter half there has been no change of incumbent. Two of the former, Dr. James Macdonald and Dr. Benjamin Ogden, have gone to their rest, leaving goodly memories of personal and professional worth. To Dr. Macdonald, whose whole term of service extended over twelve years, may be ascribed the merit of having appreciated in the fullest measure, the opportunity presented him for establishing the reputation of the institution upon the best and most enduring basis, that of unremitting personal devotion to the welfare of his patients, and to all the details of management which affected their recovery or comfort. His ability and fidelity, as junior medical officer for five years under the original organization, so fully won the confidence of the Governors, that they sent him to Europe for special study preparatory to the change of system; which, on his return, he inaugurated with entire success, reciprocating the generous trust reposed in him, by a full and faithful performance of his obligations until his retirement from office. It seems strange and almost incredible at this day, that at the time of Dr. Macdonald's connection with the institution one of its by-laws should have required the physician to be an unmarried man, and that so valuable an officer should have been allowed to resign and retire, from unwillingness of the Governors to rescind, or waive, a rule which has since been wisely reversed.

Dr. Macdonald was succeeded by Dr. Ogden; and he by Dr. William Wilson, who still survives, though for many years retired from professional life. The remaining two, Dr. Pliny Earle and Dr. Charles H. Nichols, are still actively engaged in the same work

they prosecuted so conscientiously and successfully here; Dr. Earle being Medical Superintendent of the Massachusetts State Hospital at Northampton, and Dr. Nichols holding the same office in the Government Hospital for the Insane at Washington.

Dr. Earle's "Medical History of the Bloomingdale Asylum," published in 1848, and embracing a minute record of its operations from 1821 to 1844, inclusive, attracted to the institution the attention of scientific men in Europe as well as in this country, and secured their commendations for its minute and scrutinizing investigations in a class of statistics ordinarily of little value by reason of inevitable imperfection beyond their most prominent and obvious elements.

That Dr. Earle's interest in his favorite pursuit has not languished, is shown in the exemplary thoroughness of management at Northampton, and by the recital of his third extended examination of European institutions for the insane, contained in his annual report for 1871.

Dr. Nichols' administration, though somewhat brief, was most creditable, and his service of three years was marked by the introduction of important improvements in those particulars of interior economy and convenience, which are a distinguishing merit of modern hospitals, and are become indispensable necessities in civilized habitations. In selecting him for the charge of the National Institution at Washington, the Government of the time obtained an officer who has proved fully competent to devise, construct, and manage successfully one of the largest and most important of the leading hospitals for the insane in the United States.

In this summary of the services of my predecessors, I deem it no disparagement to others to say that to Drs. Macdonald and Earle is due in very large measure the professional prestige which gave the Bloomingdale Asylum deserved eminence among its compeers, and which adhered to it long after their retirement. The confidence thus induced among the medical profession and the public has enabled their present successor, during the twenty years of his resi-

dence here, to realize the value of their legacy, for the good repute of the institution has proved a safe barrier against the few assaults upon its integrity, prompted either by the disordered imaginations of a small number of its protegés who have appealed to the courts for remedy of fancied wrongs, or by the less pardonable zeal of their attorneys.

I trust that this narrative, however unworthy of the subject, may at least have shown that your Institution, in its various phases of moral, medical, and economical results, has justified the expectation of those who originated it and predicted what has followed.

Its friends cannot doubt that it has hitherto enjoyed the protecting care of an approving Providence; nor that the same Divine guardianship will still be vouchsafed to it in the future.

In concluding this unusual, and perhaps inexcusably prolonged, trespass upon your attention, permit me to express my grateful acknowledgments for the kindnesses which have made my official duties, however perplexing at times, comparatively easy and agreeable for two decades of years. Throughout that period, there has been nothing to mar the happiness with which I received the appointment of Physician to your Institution, and though such have been time's changes, that but two names remain of the Board of Governors which honored me with this trust, there has been no apparent change of sympathy, nor of generous support, toward

Your obedient servant,

D. T. Brown.

Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane, *January*, 1872.

Account of General Disbursements of the Bloomingdale Asylum, from January 1st, 1871, to December 31st, 1871.

ARTICLES OF FOOD.

Fish, Oysters, Clams	$2,315 30
Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork	20,182 98
Poultry	1,027 03
Eggs	724 76
Flour, Meal, Buckwheat	3,151 08
Hams, Sausage, Smoked Beef, Lard	1,527 03
Rice, Barley, Beans, Tapioca, Farina	362 97
Butter	5,727 91
Cheese	196 60
Coffee, Cocoa, Chocolate, Broma	423 20
Tea	1,112 20
Crushed Sugar	881 19
Coffee Sugar	1,331 49
Syrup, Molasses	192 53
Fruit (green and dried)	2,084 33
Spices, Sweet Oil, Salt	237 24
Vinegar	81 27
Vegetables	1,729 25
Milk	281 00
Ice	347 00
	$43,916 36

SUNDRIES.

Repairs and Improvements	$1,334 28
Furnace Castings, Pipe, &c.	556 89
Blacksmithing	364 69
Tin, Copper, Sheet-Iron Work	724 40
Gas, Kerosene	1,659 19

SUNDRIES—Continued.

Stationery, Books, Newspapers, Stamps	$664 77
Hardware, Cutlery	744 14
Plumbing	359 20
Liquors	676 03
Medicine	1,180 23
Soap and Material	626 49
Oats, Ground Feed, Grains	1,415 09
Dry Goods	378 25
Wages	29,477 73
Lumber, Lime, Plaster, Brick	950 79
Paints, Oil, Turpentine	202 21
Furniture, Oil Cloth, Carpeting, &c.	2,821 66
Crockery	319 45
Coal, Charcoal	7,347 66
Hay, Straw	1,194 29
Brooms, Brushes, Mats	232 36
House Cleaning	216 55
Water Rate	75 00
Fanning Implements, Seeds, &c.	190 10
Carriage Hire	411 88
Harness	67 95
Live Stock	570 00
Starch, Indigo	114 12
Heating Apparatus	668 37
Legal Services	156 50
Amusements	169 76
Contingencies	247 45
	$56,117 48

General Table of Statistics, compiled from the Annual Reports of the Asylum.

YEAR.	Admitted.	Whole number during the year.	Whole number discharged and died.	Recovered.	Improved.	Not improved.	Died.	Remaining at end of year.	Average number.
1821	123	123	40	19	7	12	2	83	74
1822	102	185	94	48	23	18	5	91	86
1823	131	222	113	55	33	20	5	109	101
1824	124	230	116	48	27	30	11	114	116
1825	156	270	179	71	42	63	3	91	119
1826	142	233	142	69	18	44	11	91	88
1827	134	225	140	67	26	38	9	85	90
1828	134	219	130	59	29	29	13	89	90
1829	91	180	97	49	19	20	9	83	83
1830	134	217	125	58	41	21	7	92	89
1831	151	243	145	76	17	23	19	98	97
1832	118	216	136	44	31	46	15	80	96
1833	138	218	98	58	10	20	10	120	107
1834	102	222	119	51	16	38	14	103	120
1835	138	241	97	58	11	15	13	144	136
1836	121	265	123	66	26	17	14	142	153
1837	112	254	109	50	12	34	13	145	145
1838	122	267	129	73	22	13	21	138	143
1839	113	251	125	68	32	11	14	126	132
1840	113	269	108	60	25	9	14	131	130
1841	102	233	100	55	14	13	18	133	130
1842	86	219	109	55	15	32	7	110	120
1843	85	195	95	49	23	9	14	100	108
1844	106	206	102	50	27	12	13	104	106
1845	138	242	125	61	32	20	12	117	119
1846	133	250	119	54	36	16	13	131	124
1847	143	274	129	58	40	18	13	145	137
1848	138	283	164	53	55	31	25	119	135

General Table of Statistics—Continued.

From the year 1849 the Asylum has been devoted to private patients only.

YEAR.	Admitted.	Whole number during the year.	Whole number discharged and died.	Recovered.	Improved.	Not improved.	Died.	Remaining at end of year.	Average number.
1849	95	214	111	44	33	13	21	103	112
1850	97	200	90	50	15	7	18	110	110
1851	95	205	83	43	20	9	11	122	114
1852	104	226	107	48	25	16	18	119	117
1853	135	254	130	49	27	32	22	124	133
1854	122	246	119	48	29	16	26	127	126
1855	107	234	107	52	13	23	19	127	127
1856	134	261	117	54	27	17	19	144	140
1857	128	272	126	49	37	25	15	146	141
1858	112	258	113	34	34	34	11	145	146
1859	138	283	131	55	32	26	18	152	152
1860	150	302	147	50	46	22	29	155	159
1861	111	266	115	42	36	18	19	151	154
1862	117	268	111	48	24	19	20	157	148
1863	115	272	130	53	47	16	14	142	151
1864	140	282	111	52	30	12	17	171	162
1865	152	323	152	66	36	22	28	171	176
1866	132	303	135	66	33	12	24	168	163
1867	144	312	151	58	43	22	28	161	172
1868	136	297	140	55	48	17	20	157	166
1869	140	297	136	51	42	16	27	161	171
1870	153	314	149	60	44	18	27	165	166
1871	141	306	131	60	30	17	24	175	175

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS.

FOR THE YEAR 1871.

The Committee appointed in obedience to the By-Laws to audit the accounts of the Hospital, and to make an inventory of all the real and personal estate belonging to the Corporation, and a schedule of all the deeds, &c., in custody of the Treasurer, and a general statement of all the accounts, report as follows:

The Payments for the New York Hospital in 1871 *were:*

General expenses	$2,106 92	
Library	1,020 13	
Pathological cabinet	45 95	
Salaries	3,828 44	
		$7,001 44

The Receipts of the Bloomingdale Asylum during the year were:

Board of patients	$109,759 15	
Articles sold	904 34	
		$110,663 49

The Payments for the same period have been:

House expenses	$69,221 83	
Wages	29,477 73	
Repairs	1,334 28	
Clothing	4,195 21	
		$104,229 05
Receipts over payments for the Asylum in 1871..		$6,434 44
The total expenditure of the Institution for the year, as above		$111,230 49
The total receipts of the Institution for the same time		$110,663 49
Excess of expenditure over receipts for the year 1871		$567 00

The Receipts and Payments of the Institution from all Sources during the Year 1871, *have been:*

Balance in the Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital, January 1st, 1871		$20,330	96	Paid General Expenses of the Hospital	$7,001	44
Balance in the Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, January 1st, 1871		319	97	Paid on account of support of Bloomingdale Asylum	104,229	05
Balance in the hands of the Warden of the Asylum, January 1st, 1871		142	18	Paid Interest on Mortgage on Farm at White Plains	8,050	00
Received on account of the Bloomingdale Asylum		110,663	49	Paid for Purchase of Land at White Plains	4,991	00
Received Subscriptions to the Library		40	00	Paid for Working the Farm, Quarrying, Building Stone Wall, &c.	3,896	57
Received for Articles Sold		55	00	Paid Architects	6,200	00
Received Bequest of John Alstyne and Interest		25,801	07	Paid for Book of Drafts	28	00
Received Interest on E. Lord's Bond		17	36	Paid for Legal Services	721	32
Received Interest on Ground Rent		96	69	Paid Assessment for Opening Eleventh avenue	151	60
Received Interest on P. Kean's Bond		88	48	Paid Assessment for Central Park Extension	9	10
Received Interest on Loan		182	19	Paid Assessment for Church street Extension	81	53
Received Interest on Balances in Bank of Commerce		1,309	82	Paid for Flagging Sidewalk in New Thomas street	85	72
Received Membership Subscription		40	00	Paid Insurance on Hospital and Library	264	59
Received Ground Rents of Property on Broadway, Worth, Church and Duane streets		117,441	67	Paid Insurance on Asylum	873	14
Received Ground Rents of Lots corner Ninth avenue and Twenty-ninth street		3,000	00	Paid Rent of House, No. 13 West Eleventh street	4,500	00
Received Temporary Loan returned		50,000	00	Temporary Loans	170,000	00
				Balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital, December 31st, 1871	11,549	23
				Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, December 31st, 1871	6,613	75
				Balance in the hands of the Warden of the Asylum, December 31st, 1871	282	84
		$329,528	88		$329,528	88

The Committee have examined all the accounts presented to them and have found them correct; they are herewith presented.

For a Schedule of Deeds, Bonds, &c., the Committee beg to refer to the Treasurer.

SHEPPARD GANDY,
GEORGE CABOT WARD,
JONATHAN THORNE,
} *Committee.*

New York Hospital, *January 19th*, 1872.

GENERAL EXPENSES OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL

FOR THE YEAR 1871.

Coal		$239 13
Gas		121 80
Wood		20 00
Croton Water		31 95
Printing		139 63
Stationery		60 48
Car Fares		27 85
Postage		17 45
Ice		24 97
Soap		7 27
Repairs		60 66
Library Table		95 00
Analysis of Stone		25 00
Portrait of Dr. John Jones		290 00
Centennial Anniversary		561 35
South House		274 35
Sundries		110 03
Library		1,020 13
Pathological Cabinet		45 95

Salaries.

Clerk	$1,321 39	
Librarian	500 00	
Curator	300 00	
Watchman, South House	821 25	
Janitor, Eleventh street House	600 00	
Pensioner	285 80	3,828 44
		$7,001 44

REPORT OF THE STATE

OF THE

NEW YORK HOSPITAL

AND

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM,

FOR THE YEAR 1872.

NEW YORK:
D. VAN NOSTRAND, 23 MURRAY AND 27 WARREN STREET.
1873.

GOVERNORS.

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ROBERT LENOX KENNEDY, *Vice President.*
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PHYSICIANS.

Attending Physicians.

THOMAS F. COCK, M. D.,
WILLIAM H. DRAPER, M. D.,
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CHARLES E. HACKLEY, M. D.,
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WOOLSEY JOHNSON, M. D.

SURGEONS.

Consulting Surgeons.

ALFRED C. POST, M. D.
WILLIAM H. VAN BUREN, M. D.,
WILLARD PARKER, M. D.

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TO THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF NEW YORK.

THE GOVERNORS OF THE SOCIETY OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL RESPECTFULLY PRESENT THEIR ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE ESTABLISHMENTS UNDER THEIR CHARGE.

The following abstract statement shows the receipts and expenditures from all sources and on all accounts, under their respective heads, during the year 1872.

THE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS OF THE INSTITUTION, FROM ALL SOURCES, DURING THE YEAR 1872, HAVE BEEN:

Balance in the Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital, January 1st, 1872	$11,549	23
Balance in the Bank of America, to the credit of the Asylum, January 1st, 1872	6,613	75
Balance in the hands of the Warden of the Asylum, January 1st, 1872	282	84
Received on account of the Bloomingdale Asylum	115,179	70
Received for articles sold	1,196	00
Received Membership Subscriptions	40	00
Received Library Subscriptions	35	00
Received Ground Rents of Property on Broadway, Worth, Church, and Duane streets	128,425	33
Received Ground Rents of Ninth Avenue property	3,000	00
Received Loans returned	330,000	00
Received Interest on Loans	11,695	85
Received Interest on Ground Rents	193	38
Received Interest on E. Lord's Bond	17	36
Received Interest on Wm. Burdon's Bond	450	00
Received Interest on P. Kean's Bond	44	24
Received Interest on U. S. Bonds	50	73
Received Bequests of Sarah and Elizabeth Woolley	1,623	71
Received Award for opening 113th street	1,404	00
	$611,801	12

Paid on account of support of Bloomingdale Asylum	$110,985	30
Paid General Expenses of the Hospital	6,002	72
Paid Insurance on Hospital and Library	217	84
Paid Insurance on Asylum	518	09
Paid Rent of House 13 West Eleventh street	4,500	00
Paid for Map of Property at Bloomingdale	150	00
Paid Assessments for widening 127th and 122d streets, and opening 123d street	6,417	75
Paid Assessment for opening 113th street	2,221	80
Paid for Legal Services in the Matter of the Riverside Park	1,615	80
Paid for Additional Buildings at Bloomingdale	22,866	91
Paid Architects on account of White Plains Buildings	6,625	00
Paid Interest on Mortgages on Farm at White Plains	11,138	83
Paid Mortgages on farm at White plains	130,000	00
Paid for working the farm at White Plains	2,055	23
Paid for Legal Expenses in the Woolley Bequests	500	00
Paid for Advertising Leases, etc	994	48
Paid for Model for Pathological Cabinet	75	00
Temporary Loans	290,000	00
Balance in the Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital, December 31st, 1872	3,825	38
Balance in the Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, December 31st, 1872	11,030	97
Balance in the hands of the Warden of the Asylum, December 31st, 1872	60	02
	$611,801	12

The financial condition of this corporation on the 31st December, 1872, as compared with that on the 31st December, 1871, stands thus:

On the 31st December, 1871:

Temporary Loans		$120,000 00
Balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital		11,549 23
Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum		6,613 75
Balance in hand of the Warden of the Asylum		282 84
		$138,445 82
Deduct debt on Mortgage	$60,000 00	
" " "	70,000 00	
		$130,000 00
		$8,445 82

On the 31st December, 1872:

Temporary Loans	$80,000 00
Balance in the Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital	3,825 38
Balance in the Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum	11,030 97
Balance in hands of the Warden of the Asylum	60 02
	$94,916 37

Annexed to this Report is the Report of the Committee on Accounts, showing the several items of receipts and disbursements of the Hospital and Asylum for the year 1872 (see page 25).

Previous reports have set forth the financial reasons for the suspension of Hospital service in the lower part of the city, and the leasing of the Hospital grounds. The repetition of the statements in this behalf heretofore made will tend to illustrate the expediency of the policy adopted by this Board not only in regard to the sus-

pension of Hospital service on the old site, but as well to the re-establishment of Hospital operations elsewhere.

During the present century the New York Hospital has been sustained by the receipt of funds from three sources :

First.—By board money from patients who could afford to pay.

Second.—By annual appropriations by the State Legislature, in consideration of the Society caring for the sick poor and insane sent from different parts of the State ; and

Third.—By donations and legacies from friends of the Institution.

The income from board of patients continued to be a source of revenue until the Hospital service was discontinued in the winter of 1869–70 ; but it was not at all adequate to its support.

The Legislature ceased to aid the Institution quite a number of years prior to the closing of the Hospital, and the friends of the Hospital, with rare exceptions, and the public also in like manner, declined to contribute to its support, because the real estate of the Society used for Hospital purposes had become very valuable for business uses, for which it could be sold or leased, and thus furnish an ample fund for the erection and maintenance of a Hospital elsewhere.

The expenses of the Hospital for ten years prior to its close averaged over $22,000 per annum more than the receipts, and as a consequence a mortgage indebtedness of two hundred thousand dollars existed upon the property at the commencement of the year 1869, when it was determined to suspend the Hospital services for want of means, and to prevent a much larger indebtedness to accumulate against the Institution without any ability to liquidate the same.

During the past four years the resources of the Society have been as follows :

Cash on hand January 1, 1869, about		$18,000 00
Awards for lands taken for streets, &c		3,251 00
Rent for a part of the Hospital grounds, leased for business uses		426,317 00
Ground rent of Ninth avenue property, *given in trust*, the income to be applied to the support and increase of the Pathological Cabinet		8,000 00
Sale of North House Hospital and steam boilers		5,050 00
Legacies, donations, &c., received since January 1, 1869		56,050 00
Interest received on temporary loans		15,044 10
		$531,712 10

Liabilities existing and incurred since January 1, 1869, are:

Mortgage indebtedness	$200,000 00	
Assessments for parks, avenues, and streets	70,000 00	
Cost of removing Hospital buildings, opening, sewering, and paving new street	22,600 00	
Cost of additional lands at White Plains; quarrying upon and maintaining farm at White Plains, and for Architect's survey and plans for buildings thereon	38,000 00	
Counsel fees and legal expenses in leasing land	4,325 00	
Repairs and additions to buildings of the Bloomingdale Asylum	22,900 00	
Rent of house 13 West 11th street	13,500 00	
Expenditures over receipts of Hospital from 1868 to 1869–70	26,700 00	
Support of library, office, and cabinet	13,000 00	
Interest paid on mortgages	39,200 00	
		$450,225 00
		$81,487 10

This balance of cash on hand will be applied towards the payment of the following unpaid accounts:

Assessment for Riverside Park in excess of awards for land taken for a new avenue	$59,400 00	
Opening public drive and interest thereon	16,000 00	
Taxes for three years and interest thereon	27,600 00	
		$103,000 00

It will be seen from the foregoing statement that if the Governors had continued the Hospital services until the present time, its financial condition would have been about as follows:

Liabilities existing January 1, 1869, and contracted since, about	$553,000 00
Interest accumulating thereon during four years, about	87,000 00
Average deficiency in revenue during four years	100,000 00
Indebtedness of about	$740,000 00

The *Hospital Library and Pathological Cabinet* are in a flourishing condition. The Library contains 9,074 volumes, 408 of which have been added during the past year.

Since the date of the last Annual Report, this Society has lost, by death, George T. Trimble and John David Wolfe, the former President and the latter Vice-President of the Board of Governors at the time of their decease. Their faithful services and active sympathy for this and other prominent charitable institutions, and their social virtues, caused their death to be sincerely and widely deplored. Of the Board of Physicians and Surgeons, Henry D. Buckley, M. D., one of the attending Physicians of the Hospital since June, 1848, died January 4, 1872. He was distinguished for his professional acquirements and exemplary personal character. The Annual Report of the Physician to the Bloomingdale Asylum pays a becoming tribute to the memory of Edward E. Porter, M. D., Assistant Physician to the Asylum, who died on the 26th of October, 1872.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM.

The number of insane patients in the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane on the 1st day of January, 1872, was one hundred and seventy-five; and there have been admitted during the year one hundred and twenty-four, making a total of two hundred and ninety-nine patients during the past year.

Of the number under treatment, one hundred and twenty-four were males, and one hundred and seventy-five females.

Of the cases discharged during the year, there were:

Recovered	46
Improved	37
Not improved	25
Died	21
Remaining 31st December, 1872	170

Annexed are the Annual Report of the Physician-in-Chief of the Asylum and statements showing the general disbursements of the Asylum for the current year, ending December 31, 1872, and a statistical history of the Asylum since it was established. (See pages 13, 22, and 23.)

The charges of mismanagement in this Institution, referred to at length in the Annual Report of the Physician to the Asylum, were made the subject of investigation by the Board immediately upon their being made public. A large Committee of the Board was appointed to inquire as to the truth of the charges, and the result of their action was to satisfy the Board that they were unfounded, and that neither the character of the Institution nor the integrity of its management, were unworthy of its former honorable history, or the confidence of its Governors or the public.

Subsequently these charges were made the subject of investigation by a Commission appointed by the Governor of the State, and

the Board of Governors, as well as the Asylum Committee, extended to the gentlemen of the Commission every facility for prompt and thorough examination. This Board feels confident that the report of the Commission cannot seriously disparage an Institution which has ever been conducted upon principles of enlightened humanity.

JOHN C. GREEN,

President.

D. COLDEN MURRAY,

Secretary.

NEW YORK, *March*, 1873.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM REPORT.

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PHYSICIAN'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1872.

To the Board of Governors of the
New York Hospital:

Gentlemen,—In accordance with your regulations, the general operations of the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane, for the year 1872, are presented in the following table:

	Males.	Females.	Total.
On January 1st, 1872.			
The number of patients in the Asylum was	73	102	175
Admitted since, to January, 1873	51	73	124
Total number during 1872	124	175	299
Of these were discharged as			
Recovered	16	30	46
Improved	12	25	37
Not improved—including two not insane	14	11	25
Died	9	12	21
Total number discharged and died	51	78	129
Remaining December 31st, 1872	73	97	170
Average number resident during 1872	73	103	176

The deaths were attributed as follows: six to exhaustion from acute mania; three to chronic disease of the brain; two to general paralysis; three to pulmonary consumption; and one to each of the following conditions: acute inflammation of the brain, apoplexy, valvular disease of the heart, disease of the bladder, malarial fever, gradual decline, and infirmities of age. Four patients who died were between 60 and 70 years of age, one over 70, and one over 80.

One died within two days of admission, another on the fourth day, and six within fifteen days. One gentleman had been more than fifty-three years under the care of the Asylum, having entered it when the Institution was on the New York Hospital grounds in the city. He was the last survivor of those who were removed here at the opening of the building in 1821. He was educated for the profession of medicine, and retained a remarkable recollection of the prominent medical men and professional incidents of his early life. Though so long isolated from the outer world, he took an intelligent interest in public affairs and social science, as set forth in the daily journals, while in his unrippled contentment with his lot, never disturbed by the agitated elements around him, he might be regarded, if judged by stoic theories, as a perfected-philosopher.

The average number of patients resident in the Asylum throughout the year has fully equalled that of any previous year, and exceeded that of all but one.

The usual measure of annual improvements has been somewhat enlarged, and the construction of a new billiard room and dining rooms in the male department of the main building, and of a new bowling alley, and an attractive garden-pavilion for ladies, attest continued attention to new devices for the comfort or amusement of the patients.

The sad duty presents itself of recording in the annual history of the Institution, an event already reported to your Board at the time of its occurrence, namely, the death by pulmonary consumption of Edward E. Porter, M. D., late Assistant Physician of the Asylum. Dr. Porter was appointed to the office in 1867, and during the five years of his incumbency, he performed the duties with ex-

emplary fidelity and tact. By his sympathetic disposition, his patient consideration of the infirmities and caprices of those under his special charge, and by his readiness to surrender his own time and convenience for the benefit of others, he merited and won the affection, not only of his associate officers, but of numerous patients in whose restoration he had been instrumental. His memory will be cherished here as that of one whose assiduous devotion to his chosen work of life, and his persistent disregard of the recreation which its peculiar pressure demands, were most creditable to his conscientious appreciation of duty, though not commendable as an example to others in similar positions. Dr. Porter was born in Skeneateles, N. Y., Sept. 25th, 1842, and died October 26th, 1872, aged 30 years. His father and two of his brothers were physicians, both the latter having been, like himself, medical officers of Institutions for the Insane.

During the past year the Institution has been the subject of unusual public discussion, and of newspaper criticism, by reason of law proceedings arising under writs of *habeas-corpus*, and also from wilful misrepresentation by an unrecovered patient, conjointly with a discharged attendant. In both cases of *habeas-corpus* proceedings the decision of the Court justified the officers of the Asylum, and the friends of the parties in placing them here. Pending the progress of the judicial investigation, which lasted several weeks, numerous newspaper editorials unfavorable to the management of the Institution induced more or less uneasiness in the public mind respecting the possible confinement of sane persons under the charge of insanity, and also concerning the care of the insane themselves. Whatever may have been the influence of these criticisms among those who fortunately have, as yet, had no personal experience of mental disease in their families, any disturbing effect upon those having relatives in this Asylum was apparent in only a single instance. A lady who had been here but a short time, was removed from the Asylum, but was returned to it on the following day at her own request, with evident relief to the relative, who acted from laudable motives, both in removing and returning the patient.

Another result of this sensational excitement was the appointment by Governor Hoffman of a Commission composed of three eminent citizens to investigate the condition and management of the Asylum on the alleged ground that its Governors and Physician had opposed legislation intended to establish State supervision of all institutions for the insane. This supposition on the part of the Governor was without foundation, no objection whatever having been made to such measure by any one connected with this institution. His Excellency's misapprehension arose from objections made to quite a different project, tending to obstruct measures for the early treatment of mental diseases, and therefore injurious alike to the patients, to their families and to the community. Such projects invariably originate in the impression that the present statutory requirements for the admission of patients into hospitals for the insane are inadequate to prevent the confinement of sane persons, while in fact they are much more rigid in this State than in many others. Thus in New York a warrant of commitment issued by a magistrate is required, while in most of the neighboring States the medical certificate of one or two physicians signed and acknowledged before a magistrate, is alone requisite.

That an ingenious and enterprising young newspaper reporter, by connivance with other parties, should succeed in simulating mental derangement so far as to convince two respectable physicians, that a man who behaved like a lunatic for two days and nights continuously, may appropriately be lodged in a lunatic asylum, does not prove the insufficiency of the present law regulating the isolation of the insane. Nor is it shown that the law is easily liable to abuse, for even in States where no law whatever exists on the subject, no injustice arises. That improper confinement of sane or insane persons in lunatic asylums is of exceedingly rare occurrence in any country is proven by the paucity of suits at law for damages arising from such confinement, actions of this nature being almost unheard of, while applications are numerous for the discharge of actually insane persons on writ of *habeas-corpus*.

Dr. Ray, the most eminent American writer on insanity, says, on this subject, in an article on the confinement of the insane: "The alleged cases of wrongful imprisonment, when impartially investigated, do not sustain the complaint. The prevalent notion on this subject has been derived in some measure from novels and periodicals where cases of the kind, by the license allowed to such writers, have been used to heighten the interest of the story. It only indicates the change in modern civilization whereby much of the old machinery of the poet and story-teller has become effete, and thus it happens that the castle and convent and poor-debtors prison, as places for confining luckless heroes and heroines, have given way to lunatic asylums. They have many qualifications for this purpose. Their walls are strong, their windows barred, their doors locked, and though utterly devoid of cells and dungeons, it required no great stretch of the imagination to conjure them up. Thus it is not strange that readers who readily believe whatever they find in print should get the impression that cases so represented are, if not literal fact, founded in fact and express an actual reality."—*American Law Review*, Jan., 1869.

It is sometimes contended that even the insane should not be restrained in hospitals or asylums unless they show a disposition to do violence to themselves or others, or to property. But who shall decide whether such danger exists, if not the relatives and medical attendants of the patient? On whom so properly as these may rest the responsibility of judging whether the patient be harmless or dangerous, whether his expressions and conduct justify apprehensions of suicidal or homicidal tendencies, or whether the delusive distrust of and hostility towards his own kindred may not prompt him to acts of fatal violence? Tragedies arising from partial insanity are constantly brought to public notice by the press, startling one by their atrocity and extent, or by their secrecy and persistence, as in instances of repeated, and apparently motiveless, poisonings, or of ingenious and merciless torture of unoffending children. Those who commit such acts often show remarkable talent for devising and

executing plans which have no sounder basis than an insane delusion; yet people, otherwise intelligent but unfamiliar with the change wrought by insanity in the moral perceptions as well as in the reasoning faculties, often assume that partial insanity is as distinct in character as in degree from general insanity, and that until the power of correct reasoning is entirely lost there can be no justification for confinement in a hospital. Dr. Ray says: "This great mistake respecting the extent of the morbid influence exerted by disease, is one which the world is reluctant to correct. It meets our notice on the bench and at the bar, in the circles of the refined and educated, as well as of the coarse and ignorant. It is made an occasion of hardship and wrong to the unfortunate and helpless, and blocks the way to every improvement in the administration of the law."

Yet in other forms of human malady the right to restrict liberty and control the will of the patient, or even of healthy persons who have associated with the sick, is asserted and exercised without scruple. American citizens returning from abroad in perfect health, are liable to detention at Quarantine at the will of a health officer, because a fellow-passenger may have died of a supposed infectious disease; and but a few days ago the newspapers stated that an eminent Judge of the highest Court of a State, conspicuous for the intellectual and educational supremacy of its people, had been taken from a hotel of its chief city to the common pest-house, because he had been attacked by small-pox. In cases of this kind the question of "danger to others" is determined very summarily by those in authority, without much consideration for the preferences of the patient or those of his relatives. Yet the question is no more strictly one of medical science than is presented in cases of mental disease. So, too, "men are arrested, kept in durance, charged with a criminal offence, and yet found on trial to be innocent of the charge, the victims perhaps of conspiracy or perjury. This is no rare, extraordinary thing—one case in ten thousand—kindling the wrath of every newspaper writer in the land, and calling for special and sum-

mary legislation, but an every-day occurrence exciting as little feeling as the most common operations of nature. We are told very calmly that such wrongs are part of the price we pay for public order and good government."

For several years past there has been manifest at each session of the State Legislature a disposition to amend the law relating to the isolation of the insane. This disposition is founded upon misconception, alike of the nature of mental diseases and of the actual operations of the present statutes. Numerous propositions have been made, most of them arising from groundless suspicion of injustice in some particular case; or from an ill defined apprehension that medical men, as a class, are not to be trusted with the professional discretion now vested in them by law; or again, from distrust of the competency, caution, or integrity of the magistrates empowered to grant warrants of commitments. For one or all of these reasons it seems to be assumed by a considerable number of unnecessarily alarmed philanthropists that "*something* must be done" by the Legislature to check some actual or possible wrong; but it does not seem to have occurred to those who have shown the most earnestness in the matter that the best welfare of the insane themselves is the primary interest involved, and that any provision of law which obstructs the early treatment of their disease by the best known methods, sacrifices their good to an imaginary safeguard for people who are in no real danger whatever. I believe that any competent and fair-minded inquirer who would give a few hours to the examination of the lunacy laws of half a dozen different States, and avail himself of the published statements of those familiar with their operations, would freely admit that the law of New York is not only more stringent now than that of any neighboring State, but that it is so much the less favorable to the cure and prevention of insanity among its citizens, and, for the same reason, more conducive to the increase of insane pauperism.

The interpretation of the law by the committing magistrates is far from uniform, and in some instances, as where the presence of the

patient in the court-room is exacted, it is as inhumane as it is unsound. Some Police Justices refuse to grant commitments at all unless the patient is to be placed in a State or County Asylum, a limitation which the law does not sanction, and which is unreasonably annoying to the deposing physicians and to the families of the patients.

In direct contrast to this is the opinion and practice of a magistrate of long and large experience, who informs me that he regards the sole duty imposed upon him by the statute, to be the exercise of a sound discretion in judging of the respectability of the attesting physicians, as well as of the consistency and probable truth of their statements, leaving the selection of the institution in which the patient is to be placed to the decision of the relatives. This construction of the law must be regarded by unbiassed judges as equally creditable to the magistrate and just to all parties interested.

The law of Rhode Island, drafted by the able expert from whose writings I have drawn so largely in this communication, contains this section as its principal clause: "Insane persons may be placed in a hospital for the insane by their legal guardians, or by their relatives or friends in case they have no guardians, but never without the certificate of one or more responsible physicians, after a personal examination made within one week of the date thereof; and this certificate to be duly acknowledged before some magistrate or judicial officer, who shall certify to the genuineness of the signature and the respectability of the signer."

In the event of the dissatisfaction of any citizen at the confinement of any person under this law, any high judicial officer of the State is authorized, on application being made to him, to appoint a commission of not less than three persons, including a lawyer and a physician, whose report upon the question raised shall virtually decide it. "Under such provisions the insane may be promptly, quietly, and, with a few possible exceptions, rightfully placed by their friends in some hospital for the insane."

The foregoing remarks upon a matter which has been most

forcibly pressed upon the consideration of the Governors and officers of the Asylum during the past year, may have been unduly extended, but this may be atoned for by an apposite conclusion in the further language of Dr. Ray :

"Justice to all parties requires some such legislation as we have indicated. That it would prevent all popular clamor we do not believe. Inasmuch as the notion in question — that sane people are shut up on pretence of insanity—has little or no foundation in reason, it could hardly be expected that it would be amenable to reason. As long as men are swift to believe any plausible story of wrong-doing, without inquiry or hesitation; as long as newspapers can find in such stories the materials of a great sensation; as long as there is a prevalent belief that no one is insane who is not furiously mad,—so long will the confinement of the insane in establishments expressly designed for the purpose, be viewed with feelings of distrust, whatever may be the legal provisions by which it is regulated."

Respectfully submitted,

D. T. Brown.

Bloomingdale Asylum,
Dec. 31*st*, 1872.

General Table of Statistics, compiled from the Annual Reports of the Asylum.

YEAR.	Admitted.	Whole number during the year.	Whole number discharged and died.	Recovered.	Improved.	Not improved.	Died.	Remaining at end of year.	Average number.
1821	123	123	40	19	7	12	2	83	74
1822	102	185	94	48	23	18	5	91	86
1823	131	222	113	55	33	20	5	109	101
1824	121	230	116	48	27	30	11	114	116
1825	156	270	179	71	42	63	3	91	119
1826	142	233	142	69	18	44	11	91	88
1827	134	225	140	67	26	38	9	85	90
1828	134	219	130	59	29	29	13	89	90
1829	91	180	97	49	19	20	9	83	83
1830	134	217	125	58	41	21	7	92	89
1831	151	243	145	76	17	23	19	98	97
1832	118	216	136	44	31	46	15	80	96
1833	138	218	98	58	10	20	10	120	107
1834	102	222	119	51	16	38	14	103	120
1835	138	241	97	58	11	15	13	144	136
1836	121	265	123	66	26	17	14	142	153
1837	112	254	109	50	12	34	13	145	145
1838	122	267	129	73	22	13	21	138	143
1839	113	251	125	68	32	11	14	126	132
1840	113	269	108	60	25	9	14	131	130
1841	102	233	100	55	14	13	18	133	130
1842	86	219	109	55	15	32	7	110	120
1843	85	195	95	49	23	9	14	100	108
1844	106	206	102	50	27	12	13	104	106
1845	138	242	125	61	32	20	12	117	119
1846	133	250	119	54	36	16	13	131	124
1847	143	274	129	58	10	18	13	145	137
1848	138	283	164	53	55	31	25	119	135

General Table of Statistics—Continued.

From the year 1849 the Asylum has been devoted to private patients only.

YEAR.	Admitted.	Whole number during the year.	Whole number discharged and died.	Recovered.	Improved.	Not improved.	Died.	Remaining at end of year.	Average number
1849	95	214	111	44	33	13	21	103	112
1850	97	200	90	50	15	7	18	110	110
1851	95	205	83	43	20	9	11	122	114
1852	104	226	107	48	25	16	18	119	117
1853	135	254	130	49	27	32	22	124	133
1854	122	246	119	48	29	16	26	127	126
1255	107	234	107	52	13	23	19	127	127
1856	134	261	117	54	27	17	19	144	140
1857	128	272	126	49	37	25	15	146	141
1858	112	258	113	34	34	34	11	145	146
1859	138	283	131	55	32	26	18	152	152
1860	150	302	147	50	46	22	29	155	159
1861	111	266	115	42	36	18	19	151	154
1862	117	268	111	48	24	19	20	157	148
1863	115	272	130	53	47	16	14	142	151
1864	140	282	111	52	30	12	17	171	162
1865	152	323	152	66	36	22	28	171	176
1866	132	303	135	66	33	12	24	168	163
1867	144	312	151	58	43	22	28	161	172
1868	136	297	140	55	48	17	20	157	166
1869	140	297	136	51	42	16	27	161	171
1870	153	314	149	60	44	18	27	165	166
1871	141	306	131	60	30	17	24	175	175
1872	124	299	129	46	37	25	21	170	176
Total	6449	...	6279	2813	1497	1136	833	...	...

Account of General Disbursements of the Bloomingdale Asylum from January 1st, 1872, to December 31st, 1872.

ARTICLES OF FOOD.	
Fish, Oysters, Clams	$1,828 88
Beef, Mutton, Lamb, Veal	16,377 35
Poultry	826 04
Eggs	1,111 74
Flour, Meal, Buckwheat, Oatmeal	2,890 44
Ham, Sausage, Smoked Beef, Lard	1,435 68
Rice, Barley, Beans, Tapioca, Farina	389 97
Butter	4,848 56
Cheese	265 17
Coffee, Chocolate, Broma	820 25
Tea	1,450 60
Crushed Sugar	734 27
Coffee Sugar	1,358 46
Syrup, Molasses	129 63
Fruit (green and dried)	1,917 47
Spices, Salt, Sweet Oil	161 20
Vinegar	140 01
Vegetables	1,044 93
Milk	415 00
Ice	239 61
	$38,385 26

SUNDRIES.	
Improvements	$6,083 75
Furnace Castings, Pipe, &c	1,117 91
Blacksmithing	452 18
Tin, Copper, Sheet Iron Work	658 90
Repairs	958 58
Gas, Kerosene	1,608 90

SUNDRIES—Continued.	
Amount brought forward	$10,880 22
Stationery, Stamps, Advertising	1,451 72
Hardware, Cutlery, &c	1,208 27
Plumbing	1,620 71
Medicine	1,096 65
Liquors	592 50
Soap and Material	693 54
Oats, Ground Feed, Grains	1,291 59
Dry Goods	1,542 46
Lumber, Lime, Plaster, Brick	785 63
Paints, Oil, Turpentine	1,295 66
Furniture	1,785 76
Crockery	440 21
Coal, Charcoal	5,369 46
Hay, Straw	1,368 99
Brooms, Brushes, Mats, Pails	165 18
Water Rate	75 00
Farming Tools, Seeds, Bulbs	184 03
Carriage Hire	449 00
Harness	292 95
Live Stock	971 40
Starch, Indigo	132 80
Oil Cloth, Carpeting	1,198 93
Amusements	316 19
Contingencies	146 17
Wages	33,386 13
Donation	500 00
Legal Services	255 00
	$69,496 15

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR 1873.

The Committee appointed in obedience to the By-Laws to audit the accounts of the Hospital, and to make an inventory of all the real and personal estate belonging to the Corporation, and a schedule of all the deeds, &c., in custody of the Treasurer, and a general statement of all the accounts, report as follows:

The Receipts of the Bloomingdale Asylum during the past year have been:		
Board of Patients	$111,560 71	
Clothing	2,871 74	
Articles sold	747 25	
		$115,179 70
The payments for the same period have been:		
House expenses	$73,536 70	
Wages	33,386 13	
Clothing	3,104 19	
Repairs	958 28	
		$110,985 30
The Receipts over payments for the Asylum in 1872 were		$4,194 40
The Payments for the New York Hospital in 1872 *were:*		
General expenses	$1,192 61	
Library	1,082 23	
Pathological Cabinet	26 43	
Salaries	3,701 45	
		$6,002 72
The total expenditure of the Institution for the year, as above		$116,988 02
The total receipts of the Institution for the same time		$115,179 70
Excess of Expenditure over Receipts for the year 1872		$1,808 32

The Receipts and Payments of the Institution from all Sources during the Year 1872, *have been.*

Balance in the Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital, January 1st, 1872	$11,549 23	Paid on Account of Support of Bloomingdale Asylum	$110,985 30
Balance in the Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, January 1st, 1872	6,613 75	Paid General Expenses of the Hospital	6,082 72
Balance in the hands of the Warden of the Asylum, January 1st, 1872	282 84	Paid Insurance on Hospital and Library	217 84
Received on account of the Bloomingdale Asylum	115,179 70	Paid Insurance on Asylum	518 09
Received for Articles Sold	1,196 00	Paid Rent of House 13 West Eleventh street	4,500 00
Received Membership Subscriptions	40 00	Paid for Map of Property at Bloomingdale	150 00
Received Library Subscriptions	35 00	Paid Assessment for Widening 127th and 122d streets, and opening 123d street	6,417 75
Received Ground Rents of Property on Broadway, Worth, Church, and Duane streets	128,425 33	Paid Assessment for opening 113th street	2,221 80
Received Ground Rents of Ninth Avenue Property	3,000 00	Paid for Legal Services in the Matter of the Riverside Park	1,615 80
Received Loans Returned	330,000 00	Paid for additional Buildings at Bloomingdale	22,866 91
Received Interest on Loans	11,695 85	Paid for Architects on Account of White Plains Buildings	6,625 00
Received Interest on Ground Rents	193 38	Paid for Interest on Mortgages on Farm at White Plains	11,138 83
Received Interest on E. Lord's Bond	17 36	Paid Mortgages on Farm at White Plains	130,000 00
Received Interest on Wm Burden's Bond	450 00	Paid for Working the Farm at White Plains	2,055 23
Received Interest on P. Kean's Bond	44 24	Paid for Legal Expenses in the Woolley Bequests	500 00
Received Interest on U. S. Bonds	50 73	Paid for Advertising Leases, etc	994 48
Received Bequests of Sarah and Elizabeth Woolley	1,623 71	Paid for Model for Pathological Cabinet	75 00
Received Award for opening 113th street	1,404 00	Temporary Loans	290,000 00
		Balance in the Bank of Commerce to the Credit of the Hospital, December 31st, 1872	3,825 38
		Balance in the Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, December 31st, 1872	11,030 97
		Balance in the hands of the Warden of the Asylum, December 31st, 1872	60 02
	$611,801 12		$611,801 12

The Committee have examined all the accounts presented to them and have found them correct They are herewith presented.

For a Schedule of Deeds, Bonds, etc, the Committee beg to refer to the Treasurer.

SHEPPARD GANDY,
GEORGE CABOT WARD,
JONATHAN THORNE,
Committee.

NEW YORK HOSPITAL,
January 24th, 1873.

GENERAL EXPENSES OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL

FOR THE YEAR 1872.

South House	$209 92	
Gas	127 68	
Repairs	9 10	
Postage	10 05	
Stationery	65 50	
Car fares	15 90	
Wood	15 50	
Furniture	157 92	
Printing	207 47	
Ice	43 02	
Croton water	15 00	
Coal	158 13	
Sundries	157 42	
		$1,192 61
Library		1,082 23
Pathological Cabinet		26 43

SALARIES.

Clerk	$1,322 90	
Librarian	500 00	
Curator	300 00	
Watchman, South House	692 00	
Janitor, Eleventh street House	600 00	
Pensioner	286 55	
		$3,701 45
		$6,002 72

REPORT OF THE STATE

OF THE

NEW YORK HOSPITAL

AND

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM,

FOR THE YEAR 1873.

New York:
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1874.

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TO THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

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Received on account of Bloomingdale Asylum,	114,149 92
" Interest on U. S. Bonds,	102 65
" Interest on Ground Rents,	193 36
" Interest on Loans, and Bonds and Mortgages,	2,783 25
" Ground Rents of Property on Broadway, Worth, Church, and Duane Streets,	128,394 00
" Ground Rents of Property on Ninth Avenue,	3,000 00
" Membership Subscriptions,	120 00
" For Articles Sold,	1,362 62
" Subscriptions to the Library,	37 50
" Insurance on the South House refunded,	32 40
" Loans Returned,	80,000 00
" Award for Land taken for opening Riverside Park,	55,788 00
" Assessments erroneously paid refunded,	223 26
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PAYMENTS OF THE INSTITUTION DURING THE YEAR 1873.

Paid on account of support of Bloomingdale Asylum,	$118,984 50
" General Expenses of the Hospital,	5,988 90
" Rent of House 13 West Eleventh Street,	4,500 00
" Insurance on the Hospital Library, etc.,	234 00
" Insurance on the Asylum,	1,542 24
" Legal Expenses,	1,780 85
" Assessment for opening Public Drive,	16,161 12
" " " Eleventh Avenue,	193 26
" " " Riverside Park,	115,226 00
" " " " "	179 70
" " " Morningside Park,	1,369 35
" " " Public Drive,	94 58
" " " St. Nicholas Avenue,	169 34
" " " 110th Street,	4,726 00
" Taxes on Land at Bloomingdale,	38,585 45
" For Purchase of Land at Bloomingdale,	2,326 28
" For Improvements and Repairs to Buildings at Bloomingdale,	36,468 46
" For Preparations for the Pathological Cabinet,	47 00
" Legacy to T. Rapelyea, refunded from the Woolley Bequests, and interest thereon,	216 75
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The financial condition of this corporation on the 31st December, 1873, as compared with that on the 31st December, 1872, stands thus:

On the 31st December, 1872:	
Temporary Loans,	$80,000 00
Balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital,	3,825 38
Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum,	11,030 97
Balance in hands of the Warden of the Asylum,	60 02
	$94,916 37
On the 31st December, 1873:	
Balance in the Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital,	$1,175 07
Balance in the Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum,	6,242 37
Balance in hands of the Warden of the Asylum,	14 04
	$7,431 48

Annexed to this Report is the Report of the Committee on Accounts, showing the several items of receipts and disbursements of the Hospital and Asylum for the year 1873 (see page 21).

The *Hospital Library and Pathological Cabinet* are in a flourishing condition. The Library contains 9,315 volumes, 241 of which have been added during the past year.

The death of Thomas Hall Faile and George Talbot Olyphant, since the date of the last Annual Report, has deprived the Board of two of its most active and useful members, for many years identified with the history of the Hospital and Bloomingdale Asylum, and widely known and esteemed for their benevolence, integrity, and usefulness.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM.

The number of insane patients in the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane on the 1st day of January, 1873, was one hundred and seventy, and there have been admitted during the year one hundred and fifteen; making a total of two hundred and eighty-five patients during the past year.

Of the number under treatment, one hundred and twenty-four were males and one hundred and sixty-one females.

Of the cases discharged during the year, there were:

Recovered,	31
Improved,	29
Not improved,	24
Died,	12
Remaining 31st December, 1873,	189

Annexed are the Annual Report of the Physician-in-Chief of the Asylum, and statements showing the general disbursements of the Asylum for the current year ending December 31, 1873, and a statistical history of the Asylum since it was established. (See pages 13, 17, 18 and 19.) The Report presents a gratifying history of the operations and condition of the Institution during the past year.

It appears, from the foregoing abstract statement (see pages 6 and 7), that there have been paid during the current year,

For taxes.	$38,585 45	
For assessments, ...	138,119 35	
		$176,704 80
And that deducting the award for land taken, amounting to		55,788 00
The net sum paid for taxes and assessments was . .		$120,916 80

Since the date of the last Annual Report, the remainder of the Hospital grounds on Church and Duane Streets, excepting two lots, has been leased on ground rent; and it is now confidently expected that future exemption from taxation, and diminishing assessments for public improvements affecting the Bloomingdale Asylum premises, will enable the Board of Governors, without further postponement, to resume Hospital operations under conditions most favorable to the requirements of this community.

The matter of taxation deserves more particular notice. The Hospital had been exempt from taxation for a period of forty-seven years, under the provisions of a law enacted in 1822. In 1869, without the knowledge of the Board of Governors, a clause was inserted in the Tax Levy Bill for the City and County of New York, upon its final passage in the Senate, indirectly repealing the act of 1822, to the extent of subjecting the real estate of the Hospital, *except buildings actually used for hospital purposes*, to taxation. The object of this legislation was doubtless to make the Hospital ground, then lately leased on ground rent for business purposes, and about to be improved by the erection of costly warehouses, a source of revenue to the city. To this extent the Hospital could make no objection to the application of the law. But its phraseology seemed to justify a more extended application, and it was discovered by the Board, during the last summer, that the tax assessors had assessed for annual taxes, for the years 1870, 1871, and 1872, all the Asylum grounds at Bloomingdale, except so much as was actually occupied by the Asylum

buildings. The grounds at Bloomingdale not covered by buildings are almost as essential for the treatment of the insane as the buildings themselves. They are in actual use, either for administrative purposes, or for the support of the household, or for the pleasure and recreation of the patients; and without similar provisions for the administration of the Asylum and the benefit of its patients, it would be impracticable to continue the treatment of the insane at Bloomingdale. From these grounds unoccupied by buildings no income whatever is derived. Whatever affects the Asylum, which is only a department of the Hospital specifically appropriated for the care and treatment of the insane, and managed by a special Committee of the Board of Governors, equally affects the welfare of this Society, upon which the Asylum is dependent for its maintenance and support. The tax, therefore, on the Asylum grounds is a serious drain upon the finances of the Hospital, now about to make a large outlay of money in the purchase of a site for a hospital and for the erection of suitable buildings. A special Committee of this Board has been appointed to make application to the Legislature for a modification of the existing law, so that this corporation may hereafter be exempt from taxation upon its real estate used for Hospital purposes, and from which no income is derived; and the Board of Governors respectfully submit that, in making this application, they are justified by a proper regard for the benevolent object of their trust, and in view of the services which the Institution under their charge has rendered to the sick and disabled, without distinction of religion, nativity, or color, for more than a century.

JOHN C. GREEN,
President.

D. COLDEN MURRAY,
Secretary.

NEW YORK, February, 1874.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM REPORT.

Asylum Committee:

D. COLDEN MURRAY, 62 South Street.
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OTIS D. SWAN, 54 Wall Street,
ROBERT J. LIVINGSTON, 10 E. 48th Street,
WILLIAM B. HOFFMAN, 48 W. 22d Street,
JOHN E. WILLIAMS, 108 Broadway.

Officers:

D. TILDEN BROWN, M.D., *Physician*,
DWIGHT R. BURRELL, M.D., *Assistant Physician*,
WM. H. McDONALD, M.D., *Assistant Physician*,
WM. GORDON VERPLANCK, *Warden*,
ELIZABETH L. CLAPP, *Matron*,
REV. THOMAS M. PETERS, *Chaplain*.

PHYSICIAN'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1873.

To the Board of Governors of the New York Hospital:

Gentlemen: In accordance with your regulations, the general operations of the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane, for the year 1873, are presented in the following table:

On January 1, 1873,	Males.	Females.	Total.
The number of patients in the Asylum was	73	97	170
Admitted since, to January 1, 1874	51	64	115
Total number during 1873	124	161	285
Of these were discharged as			
Recovered	14	17	31
Improved	9	20	29
Not improved	14	10	24
Died	3	9	12
Total number discharged and died	40	56	96
Remaining December 31, 1873	84	105	189
Average number resident during 1873	74	100	174

As heretofore, many of the patients who are recorded as "improved" on leaving the Asylum were convalescent at the time; but their complete recovery was not yet attained. Most of them realized this blessing after their return to their homes; but in some instances the removal from the Institution proved premature and disastrous. In one case, that of a young mother, who was gaining rapidly, and would in all probability have been fully

restored in a short time had she remained. an early relapse and return to the Asylum followed the unwise removal; but as yet, after several months of treatment, there is no renewal of intelligence, and there may be none in the future.

Such cases are not of rare occurrence. They arise from causes which are uncontrollable by ourselves; generally from real but unenlightened affection on the part of relatives of patients, joy at the evident improvement already attained, and confidence in their own judgment of what is best for the patient at this stage of his or her disease, which heeds no unwelcome counsel, however prudent and disinterested.

Of the patients who were "not improved," seven were transferred to other asylums, two were subsequently returned here, and a few others are known to have improved at home.

Of the deaths, four occurred in persons whose ages varied from 67 to 83, and whose minds had fallen into senile decadence.

Three others died of exhaustion from acute mania, one of them living but four days after admission, and the two others but seven and twelve days respectively. Two patients who died of marasmus, or gradual decline, had long been insane, and one of them had been more than twenty-two years in this Institution.

Three patients died directly or indirectly from suicidal attempts. One of these had been a resident here for three years. Her mind was ever agonized by apprehensions of possible calamity to her family, and, soon after hearing of the death of a sister, she effected her own by suspension. Another woman, who, in a residence of four months, had given no indication of such a purpose or thought, employed a similar mode of accomplishing a purpose, which we can account for only by her occasional remark that she was "unworthy," and that everything was "too good for her."

A man who had made a suicidal attempt some months before his entrance into the Asylum was, for that reason, placed under special surveillance at night. At the urgent request of his wife and father, he was, after a while, allowed to share the room of another patient, and took an early opportunity to terminate his imaginary troubles by strangulation.

The vacancy in the medical staff of the Asylum, caused by the decease of Dr. Edward E. Porter, in October, 1872, has been filled by the appointment of William H. McDonald, M.D., late Assistant Surgeon in the U. S. Navy, and formerly Assistant Physician in the New York City Insane Asylum. Dr. McDonald's experience and disposition equally adapt him to the peculiar requirements of his present position.

The history of the Institution during the year just closed, presents no instance of interruption of its efforts to accomplish its benevolent purposes by any of those annoyances to which institutions for the insane are peculiarly liable, and which we had occasion to deplore last year. The general health of the patients has been remarkably good, and the number of deaths unusually small.

There have, however, been fewer patients who were well enough to engage actively in intellectual or industrial pursuits, and the comparative lack of animation and occupation, as contrasted with some former years, has been conspicuous. By the kindness of several friends, however, we have been able to substitute diversion for work in some degree. Miss Adelaide Phillips and other ladies have favored us with musical entertainments, and Messrs. Samuel E. Jelliffe, James S. Page, and George W. Brown with readings, recitations, and exhibitions of natural magic and scientific experiment, which were greatly enjoyed by our household. A considerable number of patients, both ladies and gentlemen, have attended public concerts and exhibitions at Harlem, and a smaller number go occasionally to the city for the same purpose.

The general improvement of the department for men, which was commenced last year, was continued during the present year, until all the wards were renovated by new flooring, locks, painting, and other repairs. The result is a most gratifying amendment, which has met the approval of all interested in the Institution.

The grounds north and east of the Asylum, including the fine grove, have been surrounded with a tight fence, of sufficient height to screen the patients from public observation when walking out. This will enable a much larger number to take outdoor exercise

than has been practicable since the progress of public improvement around us has exposed our premises so much more than formerly.

A sanitary improvement, long desired by successive Committees of the Board, is now, for the first, prospectively practicable. A public sewer is now in process of construction under the sidewalk of the Boulevard, on which the Asylum grounds abut. When this sewer shall reach the Asylum property, which will probably be during the next spring, the drainage of the Asylum buildings can be perfected by connecting it with such sewer. This will remedy all our present inconveniences from drainage, and, at the same time, the grievances of neighbors, who have complained of its annoyance to themselves.

Respectfully submitted,

D. T. Brown.

Bloomingdale Asylum, January 1, 1874.

ACCOUNT OF GENERAL DISBURSEMENTS OF THE BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM,

From January 1, 1873, *to December* 31, 1873.

ARTICLES OF FOOD.

Fish, Oysters, Clams	$1,551 57
Beef, Mutton, Veal, Lamb	18,978 76
Poultry	1,636 05
Eggs	1,133 30
Flour, Meal, Buckwheat, Oatmeal	3,131 93
Ham, Sausages, Smoked Beef, Lard	1,306 36
Rice, Barley, Beans, Tapioca, Farina	364 67
Butter	5,830 81
Cheese	494 07
Coffee, Chocolate, Broma	904 39
Tea	1,034 75
Crushed Sugar	821 52
Coffee Sugar	1,218 92
Syrup, Molasses	141 49
Fruit (green and dried)	3,048 04
Spices, Salt, Sweet Oil	147 42
Cider, Vinegar	213 92
Milk	485 00
Ice	258 34
Ice-Cream, Confectionery	378 80
Vegetables	1,887 37
	$44,947 48

SUNDRIES.

Improvements	$447 41
Furnace Castings, Pipe, etc	721 32
Blacksmithing	494 21
Tin, Copper, Sheet Iron, and Work	631 61

SUNDRIES—Continued.

Amount brought forward	$2,294 55
Gas, Kerosene	1,565 90
Coal, Charcoal	6,342 54
Repairs	968 52
Plumbing	636 60
Hardware	1,292 48
Lumber, Lime, Brick, Cement	509 21
Paints, Oil, Turpentine	700 37
Brooms, Brushes, Wooden-Ware	232 31
Medicine, Liquors, Ale	1,840 59
Harness	212 10
Stationery, Stamps, Printing	856 21
Dry Goods	1,279 76
Furniture, Carpets, Oil-Cloths	4,503 23
Soap and Material	681 19
Crockery	377 93
Carriage Hire	539 88
Farming Tools, Seeds, Plants	241 67
Hay, Straw	1,232 64
Oats, Fine Feed, Grain	1,106 36
Live Stock	325 00
Starch, Indigo	98 07
Amusements, Books, Periodicals	352 47
Contingencies	262 61
Water Tax	975 00
Legal Fees	600 00
Donation	297 50
Wages	39,722 02
Carriage	600 00
	$70,660 71

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR 1873.

The Committee appointed in obedience to the By-laws to audit the accounts of the Hospital, and to make an inventory of all the real and personal estate belonging to the Corporation, and a schedule of all the deeds, etc., in custody of the Treasurer, and a general statement of all the accounts, report as follows:

THE RECEIPTS OF THE BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM DURING THE PAST YEAR HAVE BEEN:

Board of Patients	$113,049 35	
Clothing	268 42	
Articles sold	832 14	
		$114,149 92

THE PAYMENTS FOR THE SAME PERIOD HAVE BEEN:

House Expenses	$71,917 65	
Wages	39,722 02	
Clothing	3,376 31	
Repairs	968 52	
		$115,984 50
The Payments over Receipts for the Asylum in 1873 were:		$1,834 58

THE PAYMENTS FOR THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL IN 1873 WERE:

Rent of house 13 West Eleventh Street	$1,700 00	
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Library	971 64	
Pathological Cabinet	42 23	
Salaries	3,377 00	
		$10,488 90

The total expenditure of the Institution for the year, as above	$129,473 40
The total receipts of the Institution for the same time	114,149 92
Excess of Expenditure over Receipts for the year 1873	$15,323 48

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The Committee have examined all the accounts presented to them, and have found them correct. They are herewith presented. For a Schedule of Deeds, Bonds, etc., the Committee beg to refer to the Treasurer.

SHEPPARD GANDY,
GEORGE CABOT WARD,
JONATHAN THORNE,
Committee.

NEW YORK HOSPITAL, *Jan.* 22, 1874.

GENERAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR 1873.

Library		$971 64
Pathological Cabinet		42 23
Ice	$42 15	
Printing	717 18	
South House	203 18	
Repairs	52 35	
Coal	176 38	
Postage	10 00	
Car-fares	16 19	
Gas	124 56	
Stationery	89 05	
Croton Water	17 00	
Wood	16 00	
Sundries	133 89	
		1,598 03

SALARIES.

Clerk	1,321 39	
Librarian	560 00	
Curator	300 00	
Watchman, South House	167 00	
Janitor, Eleventh Street House	600 00	
Pensioner	438 61	
"	50 00	
		3,377 00
		$5,988 90
Rent of House 13 West 11th St		4,500 00
		$10,488 90

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AND

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FOR

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New York:
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1875.

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CLINICAL REGISTRAR.

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Received on account of the Bloomingdale Asylum,	116,930 16
" Interest,	2,582 86
" Membership Subscription,	40 00
" Insurance Premium Returned,	14 91
" Donation,	50 00
" For Articles Sold,	10 00
" Ground Rents of Property on Broadway, Worth, Church, and Duane Streets,	157,394 00
" Ground Rents of Property on Ninth Avenue,	3,000 00
" For United States Bonds Sold,	49,618 43
" For Mortgage Paid,	7,500 00
	$344,571 84

PAYMENTS OF THE INSTITUTION DURING THE YEAR 1874.

Paid on account of Support of Bloomingdale Asylum.	$123,085 34
" General Expenses,	8,245 82
" Taxes on Land at Bloomingdale,	13,666 42
" Taxes on Lots on Duane and Thomas Streets,	915 50
" Taxes on Lots on Fifteenth Street,	472 05
" Assessment for Sewer in Thomas Street,	31 60
" Assessment for Public Drive,	286 25
" For Improvements and Repairs to Buildings at Bloomingdale,	14,000 00
" Rent of House 13 West Eleventh Street,	2,250 00
" For Real Estate in the Eighteenth Ward,	117,500 00
" Interest on Mortgages on Real Estate in Eighteenth Ward,	5,317 13
" Donation to Training-School for Nurses,	500 00
" Insurance,	301 50
" Architects,	1,000 00
" For Extra Services to Librarian and Curator,	750 00
" For Sewer in Thomas Street,	214 49
" Legal Expenses,	2,926 44
" For Repairs and Improvements in House 8 West Sixteenth Street,	21,680 06
" For Furnishing House 8 West Sixteenth Street,	6,827 06
" For Excavation on Fifteenth Street,	2,278 69
" For Coal,	247 00
" For Surveying,	65 00
Deposited in United States Trust Company,	20,000 00
Balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital, December 31, 1874,	1,910 26
Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, December 31, 1874,	58 72
Balance in the hands of the Warden of the Asylum, December 31, 1874,	42 51
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The financial condition of this corporation on the 31st December, 1874, as compared with that on the 31st December, 1873, stands thus:

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	$7,431 48

On the 31st December, 1874:

Debt on Mortgage,		$165,000 00
Deduct Balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital,	$1,910 26	
" Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum,	58 72	
" Balance in hands of the Warden of the Asylum,	42 51	
" Deposit in United States Trust Company,	20,000 00	
		22,011 49
		$142,988 51

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The Hospital Library and Pathological Cabinet are in a flourishing condition.

The *Library* contains 9,645 volumes, 330 of which have been added during the past year.

Until October last, the use of the Hospital Library had been confined to the Physicians and Surgeons on the staff of the Hospital and annual subscribers, and the Library was open for consultation and the delivery of books only a few hours daily. Since its removal to the spacious rooms in the Hospital building on Sixteenth Street, it has been made free to all for purposes of consultation, and the hours of admission have been increased, so that it is open daily from 10 A.M. to

10 P.M., with two brief intermissions. For the extent of its collection the Hospital Library is second only to the Library of the Surgeon-General's Office, Washington, and that of the Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadelphia, and at its present rate of increase it must soon become the most valuable repository of Medical and Surgical Literature on this Continent. Except in very exceptional cases, the books are not allowed to be taken from the Library rooms, as the opportunity and conveniences for consultation at the Library are of such a character as to render the withdrawal of the books for private use unnecessary.

The *Pathological Cabinet* has also been arranged in the apartments assigned to it contiguous to the Library, and, by the aid of the liberal endowment of Mr. Robert Ray, its facilities for the advancement of pathological science will tend to make it an authority of great value.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM.

The number of insane patients in the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane on the 1st day of January, 1874, was one hundred and eighty-nine, and there have been admitted during the year one hundred and ten; making a total of two hundred and ninety-nine patients during the past year.

Of the number under treatment, one hundred and thirty-four were males and one hundred and sixty-five females.

Of the cases discharged during the year, there were:

Recovered,	25
Improved,	56
Not improved,	23
Died,	19
Improper subject,	1
Remaining 31st December, 1874.	124

Annexed are the Annual Report of the Physician-in-Chief of the Asylum, and statements showing the general disbursements of the Asylum for the current year ending December 31, 1874, and a statistical history of the Asylum since it was established. (See pages 14, 20, 18 and 19.) The Report presents a gratifying history of the operations of the Institution during the past year: and the Board

feel justified in stating that its condition and administration are most satisfactory.

In anticipation of the time when the financial condition of this society would enable it to make suitable provision for the resumption of hospital operations, a special committee of the Board of Governors was appointed in 1872 to report upon a site for hospital buildings, and the general principles which should control the Board in its selection and in the construction of the necessary buildings. The report of the committee was presented to the Board in February last, and its conclusions received the unanimous approval of the Governors. The recommendations of the committee were based upon these facts, viz.:

1. That additional large general hospitals are not at present required in the city of New York, the accommodations of such existing institutions, with the exception of Bellevue, being largely in excess of their use by the sick poor; and that the failure of this class to avail themselves of the superior privileges of these institutions arises from the inability of the poor to pay the very moderate hospital charges for their treatment and support while patients, and the insufficiency of means of the hospitals to support more than a very limited number of free patients.

2. That the concurrent testimony of all conversant with the requirements of the city south of Twenty-third Street establishes the fact that there is pressing need in that locality of hospital accommodations for the immediate relief of sufferers from accident and sudden, acute sickness.

3. That small hospitals, with twelve beds each, a resident physician and surgeon, two nurses and the necessary subordinates, established at proper distances, could be conducted at a comparatively small expense, relieving all applicants from a prescribed locality, and, if need be, accommodating such as could not be immediately moved, until able, without risk, to be transferred to a general hospital.

4. That this society is now in a position to inaugurate such a system of hospital treatment, and that no more economical and beneficial application of its funds can be made at the present time.

5. That a central establishment, having also accommodation for the

executive officers of the society, the hospital library, pathological cabinet, and for the meetings of the Board of Governors, is essential to the prosecution of the system of relief indicated.

In accordance with the recommendation of the report, the society purchased property on the south side of West Sixteenth Street, near the Fifth Avenue, comprising five lots on Sixteenth Street, each 25x100, and three lots in the rear on Fifteenth Street, each of the same dimensions. On the Sixteenth Street lots is a substantial building of brick and stone, with ample room for the library, pathological cabinet, and executive officers of the society. Since possession of the premises was taken on the 1st of May last, additional lots on Fifteenth Street, adjoining those previously bought, have been purchased, and plans of a hospital building on the Fifteenth Street land are now under consideration. It is the present purpose of the Board to commence the erection of this building as early in the coming spring as is practicable for building operations. The establishment of additional hospitals on a smaller scale in the lower portion of the city will be accomplished as rapidly as the funds of the society will justify the necessary expenditure for that purpose.

The cost of the land on Sixteenth and Fifteenth Streets and the requisite buildings will be about as follows, viz:

Original purchase of lots on Fifteenth and Sixteenth Streets, ...	$200,000
Additional lots on Fifteenth Street, since purchased,	115,000
Estimated cost of Hospital buildings complete, including furniture, ...	435,000
Total estimated cost.	$750,000

The society will not be in a pecuniary condition to meet this large expenditure without borrowing upon a mortgage of its real estate nearly if not the whole of the sum required; but it is expected that, by the aid of a portion of its annual income and economical administration, it will be able in a few years to pay the indebtedness thus incurred.

The Board would again respectfully refer to the subject of taxation. In their last annual report to your honorable body the circum-

stances connected with the revival of taxation by a clause in the tax-levy bill for the city and county of New York in 1869, after a period of exemption for forty-seven years under the provisions of a law enacted in 1822, were fully set forth, and the reasons why the property of the society exclusively used for hospital purposes, and from which no income was derived, should be declared to be hereafter exempt from taxation, were presented at length. Subsequently the memorial of this society, asking for exemption to this extent, was laid before the Legislature; and after investigation, and without hesitation, a law was passed exempting from taxation the property of the society "*so long as the same shall be used exclusively for the purposes for which said society was chartered.*" This bill was vetoed by the governor, who had been advised by the Controller of the City of New York that, if the bill became a law, the real estate of the hospital leased out to tenants upon ground-rent would thereby be exempt from taxation. Messrs. Charles O'Conor and William M. Evarts, having been consulted by this society, most emphatically controverted this interpretation; but before their written opinions could be presented to the governor, the bill, with the governor's objection endorsed thereon, had been filed in the office of the Secretary of State, and the discretionary power of the governor was exhausted.

Application for a modification of the law of 1869 will be made to your honorable body by this Society, with the confident expectation that their petition will be granted, and that, while all other similar institutions in the city of New York are exempt from taxation, the Society of the New York Hospital, distinguished for its long and faithful services to the sick and disabled, will not be permitted to remain the sole exception.

JOHN C. GREEN,
President.

D. COLDEN MURRAY,
Secretary.

NEW YORK, February 17, 1875.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM REPORT.

Asylum Committee:

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WM. GORDON VERPLANCK, *Warden*,
ELIZABETH L. CLAPP, *Matron*,
REV. THOMAS M. PETERS, *Chaplain*.

PHYSICIAN'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1874.

To the Board of Governors of the New York Hospital:

Gentlemen: In accordance with your regulations, the general operations of the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane, for the year 1874, are presented in the following table:

On January 1, 1874.	Males.	Females.	Total.
The number of patients in the Asylum was	84	105	189
Admitted since to January 1, 1875	50	60	110
Total number during 1874	134	165	299
Of these were discharged as			
Recovered	12	13	25
Improved	22	34	56
Not improved	13	10	23
Died	11	8	19
Improper subject	1	..	1
Total number discharged and died	59	65	124
Remaining December 31, 1874	75	100	175
Average number resident during 1874	77	106	183

Of the deaths, five resulted from paresis, or what is popularly known as "softening of the brain"; eight ensued from exhaustion of acute mania, the patient surviving but a few days after admission to the Asylum, none over twenty days.

Two deaths were caused by apoplexy, and one by each of the following diseases, namely, epilepsy, disease of the heart, chronic bronchitis, and chronic rheumatism.

Though the number of patients reported as having "recovered" is not larger than the "unimproved," and only half as large as that of those who had "improved," such statistical classification is at best approximate, and may very possibly be less creditable to an institution than one made at a later period. It is often impossible to determine, at the time of departure from the hospital, whether or not the patient has regained his natural quality and strength of mind; and while doubt exists he cannot be regarded, and should not be recorded, as "recovered."

These cases are so frequent that the statistics of many hospitals would be greatly and favorably modified, could the subsequent recoveries of "improved" patients be appended to the record.

Furthermore, if the decision as to the mental condition of a discharged patient rest with a single mind—that of the medical superintendent—rather than a comparison of views of himself and his medical associates, the record of yearly results of treatment will be more or less the reflex of a mental temperament which may be unduly swayed either by a natural hopefulness or an equally natural cautiousness of character. There can be little doubt at this time that the innate traits of mind and heart which made the earlier race of hospital superintendents such zealous and successful workers in a new region of beneficence, led them also to form and express more encouraging opinions as to the curability of insanity than are justified by later experience on a broader scale.

Fortunately, after making considerable allowance for enthusiasm, and possibly, also, for a sagacious shrewdness which perceived the necessity for stirring public interest in a cause likely to languish unless "hope told a *flattering* tale," there is such positive and obvious good effected by hospitals for the insane as to call for their increase in number, or the enlargement of those which must receive the indigent insane of every State or large city.

In the general construction of these buildings the prevailing tendency, during recent years, has been to raise the standard of excellence, both of accommodation and workmanship; and, consequently, the proportion of patients of the more intelligent and prosperous classes increases annually in such institutions. This is a natural and gratify-

ing result of a recognition of the claims of the *whole* people of any community upon the consideration of municipal or State authorities. Suitable provision for those of the insane who have, when in health, been accustomed to the comforts of a medium-class American home, is necessarily very costly, and there is very little probability that private benevolence will supply the means to create or endow institutions suited to their wants. Public benefactors appear to be actuated by a common desire to benefit the largest possible number of individuals by their charitable bequests, and a legacy which would be at once liberal and widely beneficial, if made to a college, infirmary, or orphans' home, would be inconsiderable as a provision for the insane, unless of exceptional munificence or supplemented by other contributions.

For these and other reasons I deem the objections recently raised by persons of prominence in public position toward the more advanced views respecting State and city provision for the insane, as no less erroneous in principle than unjust to the unfortunate wards of the public.

The few institutions in the country corresponding to the Bloomingdale Asylum are taxed to the utmost extent of their resources by the appeals of patients of culture and refinement, whose pecuniary means are insufficient to meet the average cost of their support when insane.

If the reasonable requirements for restoration and personal comfort of this class of patients cannot be adequately met by their own means because affliction has cut off their sources of maintenance, and if the deficiency cannot be supplied by private generosity, each State or large city should provide good buildings, good food, and good attendance, suitable for the comfort and best welfare of persons occupying an average social station when in health.

I am led to make the above remarks because a recent determination of the city authorities to enforce a uniform and rigidly simple regimen in the city asylum has caused many applications for the admission into our Asylum of chronic patients who have been for some time in one or other of the municipal institutions.

The limited capacity of these buildings would necessarily forbid

the reception of many such cases; but the wise policy of government which has so long prevailed here also forbids it.

The Bloomingdale Asylum, from its moderate extent, and also from its lack of any fund for the support of indigent chronic patients, must continue, as heretofore, to be mainly a hospital for the treatment of recent cases of insanity, rather than a refuge and home for chronic and incurable cases of that malady.

The comparatively large average cost of care and treatment can neither be long met by many families yearly represented here, nor by an institution without endowment; and when it is stated that the Asylum already supplements a positive deficiency of payment in a very considerable proportion of cases received, I think its right to be regarded as a conspicuously charitable institution is fully established.

The improvements in the Asylum buildings, which had been in progress for two previous years, were continued during the past year, and were appropriately crowned by the substitution of an excellent metallic roof in place of the original shingles which had done service for fifty years, and more, on the main building.

The drainage of the buildings, anticipated in the last annual report as a most desirable sanitary improvement, has been attained by a connection with the city sewer below the Boulevard sidewalk.

The grading of the Tenth Avenue by the city authorities, on the easterly line of the Asylum property, and adjoining the exercising-grounds of our lady patients, required continuous blasting of rock for many months, and is not yet completed. The blasting has been a source of solicitude during the season for out-door exercise; but the judicious and friendly precautions of the engineer and foreman in charge of the work has obviated accident to any patient or employee of the Asylum. During the next spring it will be desirable to enclose our premises on the line of the Tenth Avenue with a substantial fence, and thus secure complete protection and privacy of the grounds appropriated to female patients.

Very respectfully submitted,

D. T. Brown.

Bloomingdale Asylum, January 1, 1875.

GENERAL TABLE OF STATISTICS.

Compiled from the Annual Reports of the Asylum.

YEAR	Admitted	Whole number during the year	Whole number discharg'd and died	Recovered	Improved	Not Improved	Died	Remain'g at end of year	Average number
1821	123	123	40	19	7	12	2	83	74
1822	102	185	94	48	23	18	5	91	86
1823	131	222	113	55	33	20	5	109	101
1824	121	230	116	48	27	30	11	114	116
1825	156	270	179	71	42	63	3	91	119
1826	142	233	142	69	18	44	11	91	88
1827	134	225	140	67	26	38	9	85	90
1828	134	219	130	59	29	29	13	89	90
1829	91	180	97	49	19	20	9	83	83
1830	134	217	125	58	41	21	7	92	89
1831	151	243	145	76	17	23	19	98	97
1832	118	216	136	44	31	46	15	80	96
1833	138	218	98	58	10	20	10	120	107
1834	102	222	119	51	16	38	14	103	120
1835	138	241	97	58	11	15	13	144	136
1836	121	265	123	66	26	17	14	142	153
1837	112	254	109	50	12	34	13	145	145
1838	122	267	129	73	22	13	21	138	143
1839	113	251	125	68	32	11	14	126	132
1840	113	269	108	60	25	9	14	131	130
1841	102	233	100	55	14	13	18	133	130
1842	86	219	109	55	15	32	7	110	120
1843	85	195	95	49	23	9	14	100	108
1844	106	206	102	50	27	12	13	104	106
1845	138	242	125	61	32	20	12	117	119
1846	133	250	119	54	36	16	13	131	124
1847	143	274	129	58	40	18	13	145	137
1848	138	283	164	53	55	31	25	119	135

GENERAL TABLE OF STATISTICS,

Continued.

YEAR	Admitted	Whole number during the year	Whole number discharg'd and died	Recovered	Improved	Not Improved	Died	Remain'g at end of year	Average number
1849*	95	214	111	44	33	13	21	103	112
1850	97	200	90	50	15	7	18	110	110
1851	95	205	83	43	20	9	11	122	114
1852	104	226	107	48	25	16	18	119	117
1853	135	254	130	49	27	32	22	124	133
1854	122	246	119	48	29	16	26	127	126
1855	107	234	107	52	13	23	19	127	127
1856	134	261	117	54	27	17	19	144	140
1857	128	272	126	49	37	25	15	146	141
1858	112	258	113	34	34	34	11	145	146
1859	138	283	131	55	32	26	18	152	152
1860	150	302	147	50	46	22	29	155	159
1861	111	266	115	42	36	18	19	151	154
1862	117	268	111	48	24	19	20	157	148
1863	115	272	130	53	47	16	14	142	151
1864	140	282	111	52	30	12	17	171	162
1865	152	323	152	66	36	22	28	171	176
1866	132	303	135	66	33	12	24	168	163
1867	144	312	151	58	43	22	28	161	172
1868	136	297	140	55	48	17	20	157	166
1869	140	297	136	51	42	16	27	161	171
1870	153	314	149	60	44	18	27	165	166
1871	141	306	131	60	30	17	24	175	175
1872	124	299	129	46	37	25	21	170	176
1873	115	285	96	31	29	24	12	189	174
1874	110	299	124	25	56	24	19	175	183
Total	6674		6499	2869	1582	1184	864		

* From the year 1849 the Asylum has been devoted to private patients only.

ACCOUNT OF GENERAL DISBURSEMENTS OF THE BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM.

From January 1, 1874, *to December* 31, 1874.

ARTICLES OF FOOD.

Fish, Oysters, and Clams	$1,394 93
Beef, Mutton, Veal, Lamb	18,053 14
Poultry	1,379 17
Eggs	1,123 85
Flour, Meal, Buckwheat, Oatmeal	2,816 91
Ham, Sausage, Smoked Beef, Lard	1,688 04
Rice, Barley, Beans, Tapioca, Farina	276 38
Butter	6,297 87
Cheese	473 69
Coffee, Chocolate, Broma	1,226 35
Tea	398 67
Crushed Sugar	1,459 43
Coffee Sugar	697 35
Syrup, Molasses	208 09
Fruit (green and dried)	2,721 99
Spices, Salt, Sweet Oil	235 30
Cider, Vinegar	249 68
Milk	542 90
Ice	454 88
Ice-Cream, Confectionery	386 75
Vegetables	1,173 80
	$43,239 17

SUNDRIES.

Permanent Improvements	$3,604 24
Furnace Castings, Pipe, etc.	749 22
Blacksmithing	448 02
Tin, Copper, Sheet Iron, and Work	2,700 51
	$7,501 99

SUNDRIES—Continued.

Amount brought forward	$7,501 99
Gas, Kerosene	1,780 40
Coal, Charcoal	6,418 05
Repairs	765 17
Plumbing	278 02
Hardware	803 45
Lumber, Lime, Brick, Cement	334 26
Paints, Oil, Turpentine	617 53
Brooms, Brushes, Wooden Ware	282 44
Medicines, Liquors, Ale	1,659 73
Harness, Carriages	892 82
Stationery, Stamps, Printing	346 08
Dry Goods	1,942 31
Furniture, Carpets, Oil-Cloths	4,176 69
Soap and Materials	1,015 82
Crockery	247 41
Carriage Hire	624 65
Farming Tools, Seeds, and Plants	153 93
Hay and Straw	973 57
Oats, Fine Feed, Grain	1,486 60
Live Stock	358 00
Starch, Indigo	120 14
Amusements, Books, Periodicals	525 80
Contingencies	538 64
Water Tax	975 00
Legal Fees	250 00
Wages	39,990 64
Clothing	4,357 03
	$79,846 17

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR 1874.

The Committee appointed in obedience to the By-laws to audit the accounts of the Hospital, and to make an inventory of all the real and personal estate belonging to the Corporation, and a schedule of all the deeds, etc., in custody of the Treasurer, and a general statement of all the accounts, report as follows:

THE RECEIPTS OF THE BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM DURING THE PAST YEAR HAVE BEEN:

Board of Patients	$112,253 49	
Clothing	3,465 03	
Articles sold	1,211 64	
		$116,930 16

THE PAYMENTS FOR THE SAME PERIOD HAVE BEEN:

House Expenses	$77,972 50	
Wages	39,990 64	
Clothing	4,357 03	
Repairs	765 17	
		$123,085 34
The Payments over Receipts for the Asylum in 1874 were:		$6,155 18

THE PAYMENTS FOR THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL IN 1874 WERE:

General Expenses	$2,294 90	
Library	1,246 04	
Pathological Cabinet	226 22	
Salaries	4,478 66	
		$8,245 82

The total expenditure of the Institution for the year, as above	$131,331 16
The total receipts of the Institution for the same time	116,930 16
Excess of Expenditure over Receipts for the year 1874	$14,401 00

THE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS OF THE INSTITUTION,

FROM ALL SOURCES DURING THE YEAR 1874, HAVE BEEN :

Balance in the Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital, Jan. 1, 1874.....	$1,175 07
Balance in the Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, Jan. 1, 1874.....	6,242 37
Balance in the hands of the Warden of the Asylum, Jan. 1, 1874.....	14 04
Received on account of the Bloomingdale Asylum....	116,930 16
Received Interest.....	2,582 86
Received Membership Subscription.....	40 00
Received Insurance Premium returned	14 91
Received Donation.....	50 00
Received for articles sold....	10 00
Received Ground Rents of Property on Broadway, Worth, Church, and Duane Streets.....	157,394 00
Received Ground Rents of Property on Ninth Avenue	3,000 00
Received for United States Bonds sold.....	49,618 43
Received for Mortgage paid.	7,500 00
	$344,571 84

Paid on account of Support of Bloomingdale Asylum..	$123,085 34
Paid General Expenses.....	8,245 82
Paid Taxes on Land at Bloomingdale.....	13,666 42
Paid Taxes on Lots on Duane and Thomas Streets	915 50
Paid Taxes on Lots on Fifteenth Street.....	472 05
Paid Assessment for Sewer in Thomas Street.....	31 60
Paid Assessment for Public Drive.....	286 25
Paid for Improvements and Repairs to Buildings at Bloomingdale..	14,000 00
Paid Rent of House 13 West Eleventh Street	2,250 00
Paid for Real Estate in the Eighteenth Ward	117,500 00
Paid Interest on Mortgages on Real Estate in Eighteenth Ward.....	5,317 13
Paid Donation to Training-School for Nurses.....	500 00
Paid Insurance	301 50
Paid Architects	1,000 00
Paid for Extra Services to Librarian and Curator ...	750 00
Paid for Sewer in Thomas Street.....	214 49
Paid Legal Expenses.....	2,926 44
Paid for Repairs and Improvements in House No. 8 West Sixteenth Street..	21,680 06
Paid for Furnishing House No. 8 West Sixteenth St .	6,827 06
Paid for Excavation on Fifteenth Street.....	2,278 69
Paid for Coal.....	247 00
Paid for Surveying.....	65 00
Deposited in United States Trust Company.....	20,000 00
Balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital, Dec. 31, 1874..	1,910 26
Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, Dec. 31, 1874	58 72
Balance in the hands of the Warden of the Asylum, Dec. 31, 1874.....	42 51
	$344,571 84

The Committee have examined all the accounts presented to them, and have found them correct. They are herewith presented. For a Schedule of Deeds, Bonds, etc., the Committee beg to refer to the Treasurer.

SHEPPARD GANDY,
GEORGE CABOT WARD,
JONATHAN THORNE,
} *Committee.*

NEW YORK HOSPITAL, *Jan.* 23, 1875

GENERAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR 1874.

Library		$1,246 04
Pathological Cabinet		226 22
Ice	$40 46	
Printing	194 89	
Furniture	118 72	
Repairs	366 74	
Coal	375 00	
Postage	33 37	
Car-fares	13 86	
Gas	159 45	
Stationery	115 34	
Croton Water	78 00	
Wood	2 50	
Sundries	293 13	
Moving	289 15	
House-cleaning	214 29	
		2,294 90

SALARIES, WAGES, ETC.

Clerk	$1,321 39	
Librarian	750 00	
Curator	600 00	
Doorkeeper	44 15	
Janitor and Assistants	916 66	
Pensioner	546 46	
"	300 00	
		4,478 66
		$8,245 82

REPORT OF THE STATE

OF THE

NEW YORK HOSPITAL

AND

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM,

FOR

THE YEAR 1875.

New York:
D. VAN NOSTRAND, 23 MURRAY AND 27 WARREN STREET.
1876.

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TO THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF NEW YORK.

The Governors of the Society of the New York Hospital respectfully present their Annual Report of the State of the Establishments under their charge.

The following abstract statement shows the receipts and expenditures from all sources and on all accounts, under their respective heads, during the year 1875.

RECEIPTS OF THE INSTITUTION DURING THE YEAR 1875.

Balance in the Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital, January 1, 1875,	$1,910 26
Balance in the Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum, January 1, 1875,	58 72
Balance in the hands of the Warden of the Asylum, January 1, 1875,	42 51
On deposit in the United States Trust Company, January 1, 1875,	20,000 00
Received on account of Bloomingdale Asylum,	119,745 04
" Interest,	1,047 20
" Rent of House 19 West Fifteenth Street,	500 00
" Membership Subscriptions,	80 00
" Returned Commissions on Premiums of Insurance,	19 06
" Ground Rents of Property on Broadway, Worth, Church, and Duane Streets,	155,769 00
" Ground Rents of Property on Ninth Avenue,	3,000 00
" For Bonds of the Society of the New York Hospital, drawing six per cent. interest, sold at par,	230,000 00
" Of J. H. Munsell, Executor, Bequest of H. H. Munsell, deceased,	3,396 32
" Of Robbins Battell, Executor, Bequest of Joseph Battell, deceased,	10,000 00
" For Gore of Land sold from Farm at White Plains,	400 00
" For Produce sold from Farm at White Plains,	380 34
" Loans from United States Trust Company,	100,000 00

PAYMENTS OF THE INSTITUTION DURING THE YEAR 1875.

Paid on account of Support of Bloomingdale Asylum,		$129,582 09
" General Expenses,		9,882 95
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Balance cash on hand December 31, 1875:		
In United States Trust Company,	$155,802 50	
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" Bank of America, to the credit of Bloomingdale Asylum,	2,272 96	
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		$646,348 45

The financial condition of this corporation on the 31st of December, 1875, as compared with that on the 31st of December, 1874, stands thus:

On the 31st of December, 1874:		
Debt on Mortgage,		$165,000 00
Deduct Balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital,	$1,910 26	
" Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum,	58 72	
" Balance in hands of the Warden of the Asylum,	42 51	
" Deposit in United States Trust Company,	20,000 00	
		22,011 49
		$142,988 51
On the 31st of December, 1875:		
Due on Mortgage,	$180,000 00	
" Bonds of the Society of the New York Hospital,	230,000 00	
		$410,000 00
Deduct Balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital,	$4,565 57	
" Balance in Second National Bank to the credit of the Hospital,	150 00	
" Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum,	2,272 96	
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Annexed to this Report is the Report of the Committee on Accounts, showing the several items of receipts and disbursements of the Hospital and Asylum for the year 1875 (see page 19).

The Hospital Library and Pathological Cabinet are in a flourishing condition.

The *Library* contains 10,000 volumes, 356 of which have been added during the past year. It is free to all for purposes of consultation, and the increasing number of those availing themselves of this privilege affords gratifying proof that the liberal policy of the Hospital in respect of the use of the Library is appreciated.

The *Pathological Cabinet* has been visited during the year by a large number of the medical profession.

The Board record with sorrow the death of Ernst Krackowizer, M.D., on the 21st of September last, at the time of his decease one of the Attending Surgeons of the Hospital. He was justly distinguished for his professional culture and skill and for his personal virtues.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM.

The number of insane patients in the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane on the 1st day of January, 1875, was one hundred and seventy-five, and there have been admitted during the year one hundred and twelve; making a total of two hundred and eighty-seven patients during the past year.

Of the number under treatment one hundred and twenty-eight were males and one hundred and fifty-nine females.

Of the cases discharged during the year, there were :

Recovered,	34
Improved,	31
Not improved,	8
Died,	23
Improper subject,	
Remaining 31st December, 1875,	191

Annexed are the Annual Report of the Physician-in-Chief of the Asylum, and statements showing the general disbursements of the Asylum for the current year ending December 31, 1875, and

a statistical history of the Asylum since it was established. (See pages 14, 18, 16 and 17.) The Report presents a brief statement of the operations of the institution during the past year; and the Board feel justified in stating that its condition and administration are most satisfactory.

In their last Annual Report to the Legislature the Board of Governors referred to the purchase of land on the south side of West Sixteenth Street, near the Fifth Avenue, and on West Fifteenth Street immediately in the rear of the Sixteenth Street premises, and to the arrangements then being made to commence the erection of a hospital building on the Fifteenth Street land at an early date. It was subsequently deemed expedient to add to the original purchase on Fifteenth Street by securing four additional lots, by which acquisition the frontage on the street was increased from seventy-five to one hundred and seventy-five feet. In the month of May last the erection of the proposed building was commenced, and the work has rapidly progressed. It is expected that the building will be completed, furnished, and ready for occupation on the 4th of July next. No efforts have been spared to render this building in all respects consistent in its construction and internal arrangements with the most advanced principles of hospital architecture. To meet the cost of the building in excess of the annual income of the Society applicable thereto, the bonds of the Hospital have been issued to the extent of $230,000, pursuant to resolution of the Board of Governors limiting the whole amount to be so issued to $400,000, and providing for the extinguishment of the whole indebtedness thus created in the year 1890.

The failure of the Commissioners of Charities and Correction to provide a substitute for the "Accident Hospital" on the City Hall Park after it had been condemned as an unsafe building by competent authority, and no preparation having been made by the municipal authorities or otherwise in the lower part of the city of New York for the relief and cure of cases of accident or sudden and acute illness occurring in that locality, the Board of Governors of this Society, in accordance with their policy to establish

small hospitals or "Houses of Relief," as indicated in their last Annual Report to your honorable body, felt constrained to supply the deficiency resulting from the suspension of the Park Hospital. Fortunately, the enactment by the Legislature of 1875 of a law exempting this Society from taxation on its land used for hospital purposes enabled it to undertake this unexpected work at a time when all its income was required for the erection of the hospital building on Fifteenth Street. There seemed to be no likelihood of any organized system of relief for the large class of sufferers for whose immediate physical wants the Park Hospital had been established unless this Society assumed the duty, and it did so promptly, liberally, and effectually. As soon as the exigency of this class of the community became known to this Board immediate measures were adopted to make suitable provision for their need. A police station-house, then lately vacated by the Police Commissioners, No. 160 Chambers Street, upon application, was placed in the possession of this Society by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, to be used for the gratuitous treatment of cases resulting from accident or acute and sudden illness. Possession was taken on the 1st day of July, and on the 5th of July—the 4th being Sunday—the House was in order for the reception of cases, with the requisite professional staff and administrative force. Much remained to be done to render the premises convenient for its new use, and extensive alterations were required and perfected at a cost of upwards of $14,000. Hot-water pipes have been extended from the basement to the fifth story. An elevator has been introduced for the conveyance of patients and heavy articles to the top of the building. The kitchen is constructed on the uppermost floor, so that no fumes from the cooking apparatus ever reach the wards. Various other alterations and appliances have been made to render the House well ventilated, drained, and heated. The building is of brick, with the staircase in the central portion, running from the basement to the top of the house. The wards are situated on the second, third, fourth, and part of the front of the fifth floor. In each of the full-sized wards are six beds, and there is room for several more without crowding. In

cases of emergency the wards would comfortably accommodate 26 patients. The House staff consists of a "Resident House Physician and Surgeon" and two resident assistants. Medical and surgical treatment is dispensed to out-door patients whenever they apply. The services rendered by the House are gratuitous. There is direct telegraphic communication between the House and the Fifth Precinct police station-house, which has direct communication with the other police stations. Upon receipt of notice by telegraph or otherwise, the ambulance connected with the House is sent for the patient. The House is under the charge of a committee of six of the Governors, two of whom visit and carefully inspect the institution in all its departments daily.

Annexed to this report is a statement showing the number of resident patients and out-door patients treated at the House from July 5 to January 1 last, and the nature of their injuries and diseases.

Whole number of resident patients, . . .	149
Whole number of out door patients, . . .	1,006
Total, ...	1,155

A careful estimate of the probable yearly cost of sustaining the House shows a probable annual expenditure of $15,000.

The results of the House service thus far are of the most satisfactory character as regards the number of cases treated and the results of treatment. They fully justify the humane action of the Board in the prompt establishment of this "House of Relief," and clearly indicate the existing necessity of such an institution in the lower portion of the city. To render it more effectual in relieving the suffering of those stricken down by accident or sudden sickness will be the constant effort of this Board.

ROBERT LENOX KENNEDY,
President.

D. COLDEN MURRAY,
Secretary.

MARCH 7, 1876.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM REPORT.

Asylum Committee:

WILLIAM B. HOFFMAN, 48 W. 22d Street,
JOHN E. WILLIAMS, 108 Broadway,
JACKSON S. SCHULTZ, 65 Cliff Street,
THEODORUS B. WOOLSEY, 26 Front Street,
WILLIAM H. MACY, 74 Wall Street,
WILLIAM M. HALSTED, 378 Broadway.

Officers:

D. TILDEN BROWN, M.D., *Physician*,
DWIGHT R. BURRELL, M.D., *Assistant Physician*,
WM. H. McDONALD, M.D., *Assistant Physician*,
WM. GORDON VERPLANCK, *Warden*,
WASHINGTON M. HADDOCK, *Assistant Warden*,
ELIZABETH L. CLAPP, *Matron*,
REV. THOMAS M. PETERS, *Chaplain*.

PHYSICIAN'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1875.

To the Board of Governors of the New York Hospital:

Gentlemen: In accordance with your regulations, the general operations of the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane, for the year 1875, are presented in the following table:

On January 1, 1875,	Males.	Females.	Total.
The number of patients in the Asylum was	75	100	175
Admitted since to January 1, 1876	53	59	112
Total number during 1875	128	159	287
Of these were discharged as			
Recovered	15	19	34
Improved	15	16	31
Not improved	4	4	8
Died	10	13	23
Total number discharged and died	44	52	96
Remaining December 31, 1875	84	107	191
Average number resident during 1875	80	102	182

Of the deaths, eight occurred from the exhaustion incidental to acute maniacal excitement, and all took place within fifteen days of the patients' entrance into the Asylum.

Two deaths were caused by each of the following-named diseases: paresis, or "softening of the brain," apoplexy, pulmonary consumption, disease of the heart, and marasmus. One death was attributable to each of the following causes: cancer, pneumonia, meningitis, syncope in an aged woman, and leucocythemia, or impoverishment of the blood.

The general health of our household has been remarkably good throughout the year, and no distressing accident or other specially disagreeable incident has interrupted the prevailing good order of its daily routine.

The number of patients has been too large for their most satisfactory accommodation, and it is much to be desired that the State Hospital at Poughkeepsie may be enlarged so as to receive a proportion of those who now seek admission here.

During the last autumn a large and handsome conservatory was erected near the Asylum buildings, and has afforded a most agreeable resort for patients by its varied attractions, an aviary and an aquarium being combined with the plant-houses.

An improvement in the water-supply of the institution, effected during the year, is worthy of note. By connecting the water system of the house with the city main from the high-service reservoir at High Bridge, the pressure from gravity proves adequate for our wants, without the necessity of pumping as heretofore, and the quality of water is better, because of previous filtering in the reservoir.

Hoping that the usefulness of your institution has been fully maintained since the last report, and that, with its increasing and now venerable age, it may betray no evidence of internal decadence, this brief statement of another twelvemonth is very respectfully submitted by

Your obedient servant,

D. T. Brown.

Bloomingdale Asylum, December 31, 1875.

GENERAL TABLE OF STATISTICS.

Compiled from the Annual Reports of the Asylum.

YEAR	Admitted	Whole number during the year	Whole number discharg'd and died	Recovered	Improved	Not Improved	Died	Remain'g at end of year	Average number
1821	123	123	40	19	7	12	2	83	74
1822	102	185	94	48	23	18	5	91	86
1823	131	222	113	55	33	20	5	109	101
1824	121	230	116	48	27	30	11	114	116
1825	156	270	179	71	42	63	3	91	119
1826	142	233	142	69	18	44	11	91	88
1827	134	225	140	67	26	38	9	85	90
1828	134	219	130	59	29	29	13	89	90
1829	91	180	97	49	19	20	9	83	83
1830	134	217	125	58	41	21	7	92	89
1831	151	243	145	76	17	23	19	98	97
1832	118	216	136	44	31	46	15	80	96
1833	138	218	98	58	10	20	10	120	107
1834	102	222	119	51	16	38	14	103	120
1835	138	241	97	58	11	15	13	144	136
1836	121	265	123	66	26	17	14	142	153
1837	112	254	109	50	12	34	13	145	145
1838	122	267	129	73	22	13	21	138	143
1839	113	251	125	68	32	11	14	126	132
1840	113	269	108	60	25	9	14	131	150
1841	102	233	100	55	14	13	18	133	130
1842	86	219	109	55	15	32	7	110	120
1843	85	195	95	49	23	9	14	100	108
1844	106	206	102	50	27	12	13	104	106
1845	138	242	125	61	32	20	12	117	119
1846	133	250	119	54	36	16	13	131	124
1847	143	274	129	58	40	18	13	145	137
1848	138	283	164	53	55	31	25	119	135

GENERAL TABLE OF STATISTICS.

Continued.

YEAR	Admitted	Whole number during the year	Whole number discharg'd and died	Recovered	Improved	Not Improved	Died	Remain'g at end of year	Average number
1849*	95	214	111	44	33	13	21	103	112
1850	97	200	90	50	15	7	18	110	110
1851	95	205	83	43	20	9	11	122	114
1852	104	226	107	48	25	16	18	119	117
1853	135	254	130	49	27	32	22	124	133
1854	122	246	119	48	29	16	26	127	126
1855	107	234	107	52	13	23	19	127	127
1856	134	261	117	54	27	17	19	144	140
1857	128	272	126	49	37	25	15	146	141
1858	112	258	113	34	34	34	11	145	146
1859	138	283	131	55	32	26	18	152	152
1860	150	302	147	50	46	22	29	155	159
1861	111	266	115	42	36	18	19	151	154
1862	117	268	111	48	24	19	20	157	148
1863	115	272	130	53	47	16	14	142	151
1864	140	282	111	52	30	12	17	171	162
1865	152	323	152	66	36	22	28	171	176
1866	132	303	135	66	33	12	24	168	163
1867	144	312	151	58	43	22	28	161	172
1868	136	297	140	55	48	17	20	157	166
1869	140	297	136	51	42	16	27	161	171
1870	153	314	149	60	44	18	27	165	166
1871	141	306	131	60	30	17	24	175	175
1872	124	299	129	46	37	25	21	170	176
1873	115	285	96	31	29	24	12	189	174
1874	110	299	124	25	56	24	19	175	183
1875	112	287	96	34	31	8	23	191	182
Total	6786		6595	2905	1613	1192	887	...	

* From the year 1849 the Asylum has been devoted to private patients only.

ACCOUNT OF GENERAL DISBURSEMENTS OF BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM

From January 1, 1875, *to December* 31, 1875.

ARTICLES OF FOOD.

Fish, Oysters, Clams	$1,827	83
Beef, Mutton, Veal, Lamb	19,124	19
Poultry	1,493	86
Eggs	1,185	36
Flour	2,760	58
Ham, Sausage, Smoked Beef, Lard	1,768	71
Rice, Barley, Beans, Tapioca, Farina	276	38
Butter	5,086	47
Cheese	492	56
Coffee, Chocolate, Broma	1,257	20
Tea	947	21
Crushed Sugar	1,403	83
Coffee Sugar	1,067	67
Syrup, Molasses	155	90
Fruit (green and dried)	3,377	13
Spices, Salt, Sweet-Oil	357	58
Cider, Vinegar	264	87
Milk	393	00
Ice	239	36
Ice-Cream, Confectionery	401	00
Vegetables	1,466	20
	$45,346	89

SUNDRIES.

Permanent Improvements	$12,206	37
Furnace, Castings, Pipe, etc.	844	33
Blacksmithing	568	73
Tin, Copper, Sheet Iron, etc.	469	10
	$14,088	53

SUNDRIES—Continued.

Amount brought forward	$14,088	53
Gas, Kerosene	1,899	49
Coal, Charcoal	6,123	20
Repairs	753	73
Plumbing	612	39
Hardware	383	69
Lumber, Lime, Brick, Cement	620	78
Paints, Oils, Turpentine	344	49
Brooms, Brushes, Wooden Ware	344	16
Medicines, Liquors, Ales	1,885	93
Harness, Carriages	324	29
Stationery, Stamps, Printing	323	23
Dry-Goods	1,162	79
Furniture, Carpets, Oil-Cloths	2,398	86
Soap and Materials	1,102	80
Crockery	496	40
Carriage Hire	570	25
Farming Tools, Seeds, Plants	323	71
Hay and Straw	804	27
Oats, Fine Feed, and Grain	1,611	88
Live Stock	1,367	00
Starch, Indigo	144	05
Amusements, Books, Periodicals	1,075	25
Contingencies	287	76
Water Tax	975	00
Legal Fees	250	00
Wages	39,732	22
Clothing	4,229	05
	$84,235	20

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR 1875.

The Committee appointed in obedience to the By-laws to audit the accounts of the Hospital, and to make an inventory of all the real and personal estate belonging to the Corporation, and a schedule of all the deeds, etc., in custody of the Treasurer, and a general statement of all the accounts, report as follows:

THE RECEIPTS OF THE BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM DURING THE PAST YEAR HAVE BEEN:

Board of Patients	$113,881 88	
Clothing	5,020 18	
Articles sold	842 98	
		$119,745 04

THE PAYMENTS FOR THE SAME PERIOD HAVE BEEN:

House Expenses and Improvements	$84,867 09	
Wages	39,732 22	
Clothing	4,229 05	
Repairs	753 73	
		$129,582 09
The Payments over Receipts for the Asylum in 1875 were:		$9,837 05

THE PAYMENTS FOR THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL IN 1875 WERE:

General Expenses	$2,271 52	
Library	1,597 09	
Pathological Cabinet	248 71	
Salaries	5,765 63	
		$9,882 95

The total expenditure of the Institution for the year, as above	$139,465 04
The total receipts of the Institution for the same time	119,745 04
Excess of Expenditure over Receipts for the year 1875	$19,720 00

THE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS OF THE INSTITUTION,

FROM ALL SOURCES, DURING THE YEAR 1875, HAVE BEEN :

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Balance in the hands of the Warden of the Asylum, Jan. 1, 1875	42 51		
On deposit in the United States Trust Company, Jan. 1, 1875	20,000 00		
Received on account of the Bloomingdale Asylum	119,745 04		
Received Interest	1,047 20		
Received Rent of House 19 West Fifteenth Street	500 00		
Received Membership Subscriptions	80 00		
Received Returned Commissions on Premiums of Insurance	19 06		
Received Ground Rents of Property on Broadway, Worth, Church, and Duane Streets	155,769 00		
Received Ground Rents of Property on Ninth Avenue.	3,000 00		
Received for Bonds of the Society of the New York Hospital, drawing six per cent. interest, sold at par	230,000 00		
Received of J. H. Munsell, Executor, Bequest of H. H. Munsell, deceased	3,396 32		
Received of Robbins Battell, Executor, Bequest of Joseph Battell, deceased	10,000 00		
Received for Gore of Land sold from Farm at White Plains	400 00		
Received for Produce sold from Farm at White Plains.	380 34		
Received Loans from United States Trust Company	100,000 00		
	$646,348 45		
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The Committee have examined all the accounts presented to them, and have found them correct. They are herewith presented. For a Schedule of Deeds, Bonds, etc., the Committee beg to refer to the Treasurer.

GEORGE CABOT WARD,
WILLIAM M. HALSTED,
HERMAN R. LE ROY. } *Committee.*

NEW YORK HOSPITAL, *Jan.* 23, 1876.

GENERAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR 1875.

Library		$1,597 09
Pathological Cabinet		248 71
Ice	$49 78	
Printing	389 82	
Furniture	275 65	
Repairs	251 77	
Coal	503 45	
Postage	28 95	
Car-fares	10 14	
Gas	234 55	
Stationery	93 98	
Croton Water	78 00	
House Expenses	141 00	
Sundries	214 43	
		2,271 52

SALARIES, WAGES, ETC.

Clerk	$1,312 66	
Librarian	1,500 00	
Curator	750 00	
Doorkeeper	156 47	
Janitor and Assistants	1,200 00	
Pensioner	546 50	
"	300 00	
		5,765 63
		$9,882 95

REPORT OF THE DISEASES AND THEIR RESULTS,

AS TREATED AT THE

N. Y. HOSPITAL "HOUSE OF RELIEF"

From July 1, 1875, *to January* 1, 1876.

DISEASES.	Admitted during 1875	Cured	Improved	Unimproved	Died	Total
Abcess	1	1	..	..	..	1
Alcoholism	5	4	1	..	..	5
Aneurism	1	1	..	..	..	1
Bright's, *Chronic*	2	..	..	..	2	2
Cancer of Liver	..	..	..	..	..	..
Caries of Phalanges	1	1	..	..	..	1
Compression of Brain	2	..	..	..	2	2
Concussion	4	2	..	..	2	4
Contusions	10	8	2	..	..	10
Diarrhœa	2	1	1	..	..	2
Dislocations	7	7	..	..	..	7
Drowning	2	2	..	..	..	2
Dysentery	6	4	2	..	..	6
Dysmenorrhœa	1	1	..	..	..	1
Epilepsy	3	1	1	1	..	3
Epistaxis	1	1	..	..	..	1
Fever, Malarial	2	2	..	..	..	2
Fractures, Compound	11	5	3	..	3	11
" " of Skull	..	..	..	..	..	..
" Simple	31	17	9	3	2	31
Gastritis, Acute	2	2	..	..	..	2
Hæmoptysis	2	1	..	..	1	2
Hernia, Strangulated	2	2	..	..	..	2
Insolation	3	3	..	..	..	3
Mania	2	..	..	2	..	2
Necrosis	1	..	..	1	..	1
Paronychia	1	1	..	..	..	1
Peritonitis, Acute	1	1	..	..	..	1
Pleuritis	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pneumonia	2	..	..	..	2	..
Puerperal Convalescence	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	2	..	1	1	..	2
Rupture of Liver	1	..	..	1	.	1
Retention of Urine	2	..	2	..	..	2
Rupture of Bladder	1	..	..	..	1	1
Scalds and Burns	4	1	2	..	1	4
Sprains	7	4	3	..	..	7
Ulcers	2	1	1	..	..	2
Wounds, Gunshot	3	2	1	..	.	3
" Incised	7	2	4	1	..	7
" Lacerated	14	8	5	.	1	14
Total	..	..	..	..	..	149

REPORT OF CASES TREATED IN THE DISPENSARY

OF THE

N. Y. HOSPITAL "HOUSE OF RELIEF,"

From July 1, 1875, to January 1, 1876.

Abscess	10	Epistaxis	5	Paresis	4
Adenitis	8	Epithelioma	2	Paronychia	11
Alcoholism	24	Erysipelas	7	Periostitis	3
Anchylosis	1	Exhaustion	6	Phtheiriasis	5
Aneurism, abdominal	1	Eye, Foreign Body in	5	Pharyngitis	7
Aneurismal Varix	1	Frost-Bite	2	Pityriasis, Versicolor	1
Anthrax	1	Furuncle	13	Pleuritis	4
Bright's Disease	2	Fractures, Simple	60	Pleurodynia	6
Bronchitis	50	" Compound	2	Pneumonia	3
Bubo	3	Fever, Malarial	7	Psoriasis	1
Bursitis	4	" Typhoid	1	Ptyalism	1
Contusions	118	Gonorrhœa	9	Puerperal Convales'ce	2
Colic, Intestinal	9	Gastric Catarrh	2	Pulmon'y Tuberculosis	5
" Renal	1	Gleet	1	Retention of Urine	1
Cystitis	1	Gunshot Wounds	6	Rheumatism	19
Conjunctivitis	1	Hæmatemesis	1	Rubeola	1
Cephalalgia	9	Hæmoptysis	4	Scabies	1
Corns	2	Hemorrhoids	1	Scalds and Burns	11
Cardiac Disease	3	Hernia	3	Sciatica	2
Constipation	12	Herpes	2	Sprain	35
Chancres	10	Hysteria	4	Stricture	5
Chancroids	1	Insomnia	1	Synovitis	2
Chlorosis	2	Laryngitis	4	Syphilis	12
Concussion	1	Lichen	1	Tenia	1
Diarrhœa	27	Lumbago	1	Thrush	1
Drowning	1	Marasmus	1	Tonsilitis	8
Dislocations, Simple	10	Menorrhagia	1	Tumor of Breast	1
" Compound	1	Masturbation	1	Urticaria	2
Dentalgia	2	Morbus Coxarius	2	Ulcers	26
Diabetes	1	Myelitis	1	Varicose Veins	1
Dysmenorrhœa	1	Nephritis, Acute	1	Vertigo	2
Dysentery	2	Neuralgia	5	Venereal Warts	1
Dyspepsia	5	Onychia	4	Vulvitis	2
Eczema	10	Ophthalmia, Catarrhal	1	Wounds	303
Emesis	1	Orchitis	7		
Enuresis	1	Otalgia	1		
Epilepsy	13	Otitis	1	Total	1006

THOMAS R. SAVAGE, M.D.,

House Surgeon.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF

THE STATE

OF THE

NEW YORK HOSPITAL

AND

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM,

FOR

THE YEAR 1876.

New York:
D. VAN NOSTRAND, 23 MURRAY AND 27 WARREN STREET.
1877.

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TO THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF NEW YORK.

The Governors of the Society of the New York Hospital respectfully present their Annual Report of the State of the Establishments under their charge.

The financial condition of this corporation on the 31st of December, 1876, as compared with that on the 31st of December, 1875, stands thus:

On the 31st of December, 1875:		
Due on Mortgage,	$180,000 00	
" Bonds of the Society of the New York Hospital,	230,000 00	
		$410,000 00
Deduct Balance in Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Hospital,	$4,565 57	
" Balance in Second National Bank to the credit of the Hospital,	150 00	
" Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum,	2,272 96	
" Balance in hands of Warden of the Asylum,	197 59	
" Deposit in United States Trust Company,	155,802 50	
		162,988 62
		$247,011 38
On the 31st of December, 1876:		
Due on Mortgage,	$178,500 00	
" Bonds of the Society of the New York Hospital,	330,000 00	
		$508,500 00
Deduct Balance in Bank of Commerce to the Credit of the Hospital,	$1,673 60	
" Balance in Second National Bank to the credit of the Hospital,	500 00	
" Balance in Bank of America to the credit of the Asylum,	11,144 24	
" Balance in hands of Warden of the Asylum,	24 78	
" Balance in National Bank of Commerce to the credit of House of Relief,	45 02	
" Deposit in United States Trust Company,	43,231 60	
		56,619 24
		$451,880 76

In the Appendix will be found the Report of the Committee on Accounts, showing the receipts and expenditures from all sources and on all accounts, as also particular statements of the items of disbursement for the Hospital, Bloomingdale Asylum, and House of Relief.

During the past year the work on the New Hospital Building in West Fifteenth Street has steadily progressed, though its completion has been somewhat delayed beyond the time named as probable in the last Report.

This has been due to the determination of the Governors to introduce all the improvements suggested by the latest and most enlightened experience in hospital construction and organization, and rather to submit to some postponement than to open the Hospital until everything should be in readiness for the performance of the most efficient service.

Little now remains to be done, and it is expected that the building will be formally opened for the reception of patients during the month of March. Two stories have been added during the year to the Administration Building, in Sixteenth Street, enabling the Hospital to provide much-desired accommodations for a number of private patients and a large recreation room for convalescents. A detailed description of the new building and improvements will be published as soon as practicable after their completion.

The Library has been largely increased, and freely patronized by the profession of this city, as well as of other places. It now contains upwards of 10,000 volumes, of which 416, including several complete and valuable series of French and German periodicals, and a large number of recent publications on Medical and Surgical subjects, have been added during the year, forming together a collection of works which is highly prized by the student and the practitioner.

The Pathological Cabinet is steadily increasing in value and usefulness. This collection, now so rich in valuable preparations, consisting of nearly 1,500 carefully classified specimens of morbid anatomy, models, drawings, etc., is displayed in the best possible manner in well lighted and convenient apartments affording unusual facilities for examination and study. The growing interest manifested in this department is evinced by the increasing number of professional visitors who seek access to it. With the

view of promoting the advancement and diffusion of pathological knowledge, there has been fitted up an admirably-lighted and commodious autopsy and lecture-room with laboratories for investigation, and with ample facilities for microscopic and photographic work.

The Bloomingdale Asylum, under the management of the Governors, has continued to minister to the wants of the Insane with results not materially varying from those of late previous years.

The Annual Report of the Resident Physician is annexed, and contains the statistics of admissions and discharges with results of treatment.

Some improvements in the buildings and grounds have been made, as suggested by experience, for the better amusement and occupation of the inmates.

The House of Relief at No. 160 Chambers Street, which was opened in July, 1875, under circumstances fully detailed in the Report for that year, has continued actively to perform the service contemplated. Five hundred and six patients, largely acute surgical cases, have been treated in the wards, and five thousand four hundred and fifty-five, also mostly surgical, in the Dispensary, all services in both departments being gratuitous. Carefully collated tables of the diseases and results of treatment, prepared under the direction of the House Surgeon, will be found in the appendix. Telegraphic communication has been established with the nine nearest Police Precincts, and all calls are promptly responded to by the ambulance, which is kept in constant readiness. The territory thus covered is substantially the whole lower portion of the city. The time occupied in reaching the place of call has been carefully kept, and is accurately stated in the annexed statistics.

The demands upon the House of Relief are such that, in order to retain vacant beds for cases of emergency, patients who can be safely removed are transferred to other Hospitals, and three hundred and six have thus been sent to the Roosevelt, St. Luke's, German, Presbyterian, and notably Bellevue, during the year.

ROBERT LENOX KENNEDY,
President.

D. COLDEN MURRAY,
Secretary.

FEBRUARY 27, 1877.

BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM FOR THE INSANE.

Asylum Committee:

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PHYSICIAN'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1876.

To the Board of Governors of the New York Hospital:

Gentlemen: In accordance with your regulations, the general operations of the Bloomingdale Asylum for the Insane, for the year 1876, are presented in the following table:

On January 1, 1876,	Males	Females.	Total.
The number of patients in the Asylum was	84	107	191
Admitted since, to January 1, 1877	48	50	98
Total number during 1876	132	157	289
Of these were discharged—			
Recovered	13	22	35
Improved	17	16	33
Not improved	10	16	26
Died	13	8	21
Total number discharged and died	53	62	115
Remaining December 31, 1876	79	95	174
Average number resident during 1876	83	103	186

Of the deaths, six followed severe attacks of acute mania, and in a majority of the cases the patient died within a short time after admission. Softening of the brain, or "general paresis," also proved fatal in six cases—an unusually large number for a single year. One death was attributable to each of the following causes: apoplexy, convulsions, pneumonia, peritonitis, and self-strangulation.

During the year Dr. Dwight R. Burrell resigned the office of

Senior Assistant Physician to the Asylum, and the vacancy was filled by your Board, by the promotion of Dr. William A. McDonald, then Junior Medical Officer. Doctor Burrell's resignation was induced by his appointment to the Superintendency of "Brigham Hall," a very favorably-known private institution for the insane at Canandaigua, N. Y., and his selection for this more responsible and remunerative position was a well-merited result of several years of most intelligent, diligent, and useful professional service at Bloomingdale.

No other important incident of the year need be here referred to, unless it be the investigation by the State Commissioner in Lunacy of a complaint against an attendant of the Institution, made by a former patient. An accurate transcript of a complete stenographic report of the investigation, and the published "Opinion of the Commissioner," are already in the possession of your Board.

Very respectfully submitted,

D. T. Brown, M.D.

Bloomingdale Asylum, December 31, 1876.

GENERAL TABLE OF STATISTICS,

Compiled from the Annual Reports of the Asylum.

YEAR	Admitted	Whole number during the year	Whole number discharg'd and died	Recovered	Improved	Not Improved	Died	Remain'g at end of year	Average number
1821	123	123	40	19	7	12	2	83	74
1822	102	185	94	48	23	18	5	91	86
1823	131	222	113	55	33	20	5	109	101
1824	121	230	116	48	27	30	11	114	116
1825	156	270	179	71	42	63	3	91	119
1826	142	233	142	69	18	44	11	91	88
1827	134	225	140	67	26	38	9	85	90
1828	134	219	130	59	29	29	13	89	90
1829	91	180	97	49	19	20	9	83	83
1830	134	217	125	58	41	21	7	92	89
1831	151	243	145	76	17	23	19	98	97
1832	118	216	136	44	31	46	15	80	96
1833	138	218	98	58	10	20	10	120	107
1834	102	222	119	51	16	38	14	103	120
1835	138	241	97	58	11	15	13	144	136
1836	121	265	123	66	26	17	14	142	153
1837	112	254	109	50	12	34	13	145	145
1838	122	267	129	73	22	13	21	138	143
1839	113	251	125	68	32	11	14	126	132
1840	113	269	108	60	25	9	14	131	130
1841	102	233	100	55	14	13	18	133	130
1842	86	219	109	55	15	32	7	110	120
1843	85	195	95	49	23	9	14	100	108
1844	106	206	102	50	27	12	13	104	106
1845	138	242	125	61	32	20	12	117	119
1846	133	250	119	54	36	16	13	131	124
1847	143	274	129	58	10	18	13	145	137
1848	138	283	164	53	55	31	25	119	135
1849*	95	214	111	44	33	13	21	103	112
1850	97	200	90	50	15	7	18	110	110

* From the year 1849 the Asylum has been devoted to private patients only.

GENERAL TABLE OF STATISTICS.

Continued.

YEAR	Admitted	Whole number during the year	Whole number dischrg'd and died	Recovered	Improved	Not Improved	Died	Remain'g at end of year	Average number
1851	95	205	83	43	20	9	11	122	114
1852	104	226	107	48	25	16	18	119	117
1853	135	254	130	49	27	32	22	124	133
1854	122	246	119	48	29	16	26	127	126
1855	107	234	107	52	13	23	19	127	127
1856	134	261	117	54	27	17	19	144	140
1857	128	272	126	49	37	25	15	146	141
1858	112	258	113	34	34	34	11	145	146
1859	138	283	131	55	32	26	18	152	152
1860	150	302	147	50	46	22	29	155	159
1861	111	266	115	42	36	18	19	151	154
1862	117	268	111	48	24	19	20	157	148
1863	115	272	130	53	47	16	14	142	151
1864	140	282	111	52	30	12	17	171	162
1865	152	323	152	66	36	22	28	171	176
1866	132	303	135	66	33	12	24	168	163
1867	144	312	151	58	43	22	28	161	172
1868	136	297	140	55	48	17	20	157	166
1869	140	297	136	51	42	16	27	161	171
1870	153	314	149	60	44	18	27	165	166
1871	141	306	131	60	30	17	24	175	175
1872	124	299	129	46	37	25	21	170	176
1873	115	285	96	31	29	24	12	189	174
1874	110	299	124	25	56	24	19	175	183
1875	112	287	96	34	31	8	23	191	182
1876	98	289	115	35	33	26	21	174	186
Total	6884		6710	2940	1646	1208	908		

HOUSE OF RELIEF,

160 CHAMBERS STREET.

Attending Surgeon.
WM. T. BULL, M.D.

House Surgeon.
WALTER A. JAYNE, M.D.

Senior Assistant.
ALONZO BLAUVELT, M.D.

Junior Assistant.
ADDISON S. DIOSSY, M.D.

Superintendent.
GEO. BATES.

REPORT OF AMBULANCE SERVICE FOR 1876.

MONTH.	Number of Calls to Precinct.	Number of Calls to Scene of Accident.	Total Number of Calls.	Average Time of Arrival.	Average Time of Return.
January	29	23	52	11.9	28.8
February	52	11	63	15.3	34.9
March	35	17	52	12.1	35.7
April	52	14	66	14.6	32.9
May	46	23	69	9.9	31.6
June	50	28	78	12 1	31.2
July	119	54	173	11.3	22.1
August	68	42	110	12.0	24.7
September	42	28	70	13.5	27.3
October	31	49	80	13.2	31.9
November	52	19	71	13.1	32.2
December	46	48	94	12.8	34.0
1876	622	356	978	12.5	30 7

WARD PATIENTS—SURGICAL.

DIAGNOSIS.	Male.	Female.	Cured.	Improved.	Not Improved.	Died.
GENERAL INJURIES.						
Burns and Scalds	8	7	3	4	..	7
Multiple Injuries:						
Shock and general contusions	1	..	1	..	..	..
Scalp wound, fracture of humerus and ribs	1	..	1	..	..	..
Fissure of the skull (comp.) and fracture of the ribs.	1	..	1	.	..	..
Concussion of the brain, scalp wound, and fracture of the clavicle	..	1	..		..	1
Fracture of the base of the skull, inferior maxilla (comp.), and fracture of the femur (comp)	1	..	..	..	..	1
Fracture of the skull and femur	..	1	1	..	..	..
Dislocation of the shoulder and fracture of ribs	2	..	2	..	..	..
Fracture of the clavicle and ribs	1	..	..	..	..	1
Fracture of the scapula and ribs	1	..	1	..	..	..
Fracture of the humerus and ribs (comp. com.)	1	..	..		..	1
Fracture of the ribs and vertebra	1	..	..	1	..	..
Fracture of the superior maxilla and tibia	1	..	..	.	..	1
Fracture of inferior maxilla (comp.), fracture of the pelvis and femur	1	..	1	..	..	..
Fracture of the humerus and pelvis	..	1	..	..	..	1
Fracture of the forearm, ribs, and ilium	1	..	1	..	..	.
Fracture of the humerus and femur	..	1	1	.	..	..
Fracture of the sternum and pelvis	..	1	1		..	..
Fracture of the forearm, thigh, and leg	1	..	..	..	..	1
Fracture of the ribs and contusion of the hip	2	..	..	1	..	..
Dislocation of the shoulder and fracture of pelvis	1	..		1	..	..
Fracture of the vertebra, tibia, and fibula	1	..	..	1	..	..
Fracture of the femur and tibia	1	..	..	..	..	1
Fracture of femur and leg (comp)	2	.	..	..	..	2
Fracture of both legs (comp com.)	1	..	..	..	..	1
Fracture of skull, with double Colles' fracture	..	1	..	1	..	..
Colles' fracture, with wound of the forearm	1	..	..	..	..	1
Asphyxia:						
Drowning	3	3	6	..	..	..
Gases	1	1	1	1	..	..
Frost-bite	..	1	..	1	..	..
LOCAL INJURIES.						
Injuries of the head:						
Contusion	1	2	2	1	..	..
Wounds of the scalp	4	2	4	2	..	..
Concussion	18	2	12	5	..	3

WARD PATIENTS—SURGICAL.

Continued.

DIAGNOSIS.	Male.	Female.	Cured.	Improved.	Not Improved.	Died.
Fracture of the skull (comp. depressed)	10	1	5	1	1	4
Fracture of the base of the skull	11	1	2	1	1	8
Pistol-shot wound of the skull	2	..	..	..	..	2
Rupture of vessels, causing compression	1	1	..	..	..	2
Injuries of the face :						
Contusion	1	2	1	2	..	..
Wounds	4	3	5	2	..	..
Injuries of the neck :						
Contusion	1	..	1	..	..	..
Sprain	1	..	..	1	..	..
Wounds	4	..	1	2	..	1
" pistol-shot	1	..	..	..	..	1
Dislocation of the neck	1	..	..	1	..	..
Injuries of the chest :						
Wounds	5	1	5	..	..	1
" pistol-shot	3	..	..	2	..	1
Fracture of the ribs	18	1	7	7	..	4
Injuries of the back :						
Contusion	8	1	5	4	..	..
Sprain	1	1	1	1	..	..
Wounds	3	..	3	..	..	..
" pistol-shot	1	..	..	1	..	..
Fracture of the vertebra	4	..	1	1	2	..
Dislocation of the vertebra	1	..	..	..	..	1
Concussion of the cord	1	..	..	..	..	1
Injuries of the abdomen :						
Contusion	4	4	6	..	..	2
Wounds	5	..	5	..	..	..
" pistol shot	4	..	2	..	..	2
Rupture of the intestines	1	..	..	..	..	1
Injuries of the pelvis :						
Laceration of the scrotum	1	..	..	1	..	..
Rupture of the bladder	1	..	..	..	..	1
Fracture of the pelvis	2	..	..	2	..	..
Injuries of the upper extremities :						
Sprain	..	1	..	1	..	..
Wounds	6	3	3	3	..	3
" pistol-shot	2	..	..	2	..	..
Fracture of the clavicle	4	..	2	2	..	..
" " humerus — neck	1	..	..	1	..	..
" " humerus — shaft (simp.)	3	..	1	2	..	..
" " humerus — " (comp.)	1	..	..	..	1	..
" " radius and ulna — ulna (simp.)	1	..	..	1	..	..
" " radius and ulna — " (comp.)	1	..	..	1	..	..

WARD PATIENTS—SURGICAL.

Continued.

DIAGNOSIS.	Male.	Female.	Cured.	Improved.	Not Improved.	Died.
Fracture of the radius { shaft (comp.)	1	..	..	..	..	..
Fracture of the radius { Colles'	1	1	1	1	.	..
" " ulna { olecranon	2	..	.	2	..	..
" " ulna { shaft	1	..	..	1	..	..
" " finger (comp. com.)	1		..	1	.	..
Injuries of the lower extremities:						
Contusions	8	3	5	4	..	..
Sprain of the knee	1	..	.	1	..	..
" " ankle	5	3	6	2	..	..
Wounds	12	..	7	3	..	2
" pistol-shot of thigh	1	..	..	1	..	..
Fracture of the femur { intracapsular	1	1	..	2	..	..
Fracture of the femur { extracapsular	1	1	1	1	..	..
Fracture of the femur { trochanter (impacted)	1	..	..	..	..	*1
Fracture of the femur { shaft (simp.)	16	5	15	2	1	..
Fracture of the femur { " (comp.)	2	..	..	..	..	2
" " patella { (simp.)	5	1	3	3	..	..
" " patella { (comp.)	..	1	1	..	..	..
" " tibia and fibula { (simp.)	24	4	19	7	1	..
" " tibia and fibula { (comp.)	2	..	..	..	..	..
" " tibia { (simp.)	9	..	6	3	..	..
" " tibia { (comp.)	2	..	1	..	..	..
" " fibula { (simp.)	7	1	4	4	..	..
" " fibula { (comp.)	..	1	..	1	..	..
Fracture, Potts'	6	1	2	4	1	..
Fracture of the bones of the foot (comp. com.)	1	1	..	..	..	2
Dislocation of the hip (dorsal)	2	..	1	1	..	..
" " ankle (comp.)	1	.	..	..	1	..
UNCLASSIFIED INJURIES.						
Ruptured quadriceps extensor tendon	1	..	..	1	..	..
Total	297	68	167	106	9	69
SURGICAL DISEASES.						
Hernia:						
Femoral (strangulated)	..	2	2	..	..	..
Inguinal "	3	..	3	..	..	.
Meningitis (traumatic)	1	..	..	..	..	1
Soft chancre (hemorrhage)	..	1	1	.	..	..
Total	4	3	6	..	..	1

* Cause of death, acute pleurisy.

WARD PATIENTS—MEDICAL.

DIAGNOSIS.	Male.	Female.	Cured.	Improved.	Not Improved.	Died.
Abortion	..	1	1	..	..	.
Abortion (threatened)	..	1	1	..	..	..
Alcoholism	2	1	1	..	..	2
Apoplexy	5	..	..	..	..	5
Arsenic poisoning	1	2	2	..	..	1
Bright's disease (uraemia)	9	3	..	2	..	10
Bronchitis	..	1	..	..	..	1
Cholera morbus	4	1	2	1	..	2
Debility	..	1	..	1	..	..
Dementia	1	..	..	1	..	..
Embolism of the cerebral arteries	..	2	1	1	..	..
Epilepsy	2	2	..	4	..	..
Gastritis	2	1	3	..	..	.
Haematemesis	1	..	1	..	..	..
Haemoptysis	1	..	..		..	1
Heart disease	3	.	..	2	..	1
Hemorrhage of the intestines	1	..	..	..	..	1
Hysteria	..	4	2	2	..	..
Intermittent fever	1	..	1	..	..	..
Lead poisoning	1	..	..	1	..	..
Malingering	1	1	2	..	..	..
Menorrhagia	..	1	.	1	..	..
Opium poisoning	2	.	1	..	..	1
Parturition	..	7	5	..	..	*
Peritonitis	1	..	..	..	..	1
Pleurisy	.	1	..	1	..	..
Pneumonia	1	..	..	..	.	1
Pregnancy	..	2	..	2	..	..
Puerperal convalescence	.	5	3	1	..	..
Spurious pains	..	1	1	..	..	..
Sulphuric-acid poisoning	1	..	1	..	..	..
Sunstroke	33	3	14		.	22
Syncope	1	2	3	..	..	..
Vertigo	.	1	1	..	..	..
Total	74	44	46	20	..	49

* Two children died after birth from collapse of lungs.

DISPENSARY PATIENTS—SURGICAL.

DIAGNOSIS.	Male.	Female.
General Injuries.		
Shock	5	2
Burns and Scalds	49	18
Multiple Injuries:		
Fracture of lower jaw and internal condyle of humerus	1	..
" sternum and nose	1	..
" humerus (shaft) and radius	2	..
Dislocation backwards of elbow and Colles' fracture	1	1
Asphyxia:		
Partial drowning	21	2
Smoke	1	..
Frost-bite	6	1
Local Injuries.		
Injuries of the Head and Face:		
Contusion	83	20
Wounds	698	95
" pistol-shot	2	..
Concussion of the brain	1	1
Foreign bodies in cornea and conjunctiva	12	..
" " soft parts of face	..	1
" " the ear	2	2
Contusion of eye with rupture of the sclerotic	1	..
Punctured wound of the globe of the eye	1	..
Fracture of the nose	8	1
" upper jaw	1	..
" lower jaw	11	1
Injuries of the Neck:		
Contusion	1	2
Sprain	7	1
Wounds	9	..
" pistol-shot	2	..
Lacerated wound of the mouth	2	..
Foreign bodies in the pharynx	8	2
Injuries of the Trunk:		
Contusion	60	9
Sprain	8	3
Fracture of the ribs	25	6
Wounds	40	2
" pistol-shot	1	1
Concussion of the cord	1	..
Foreign bodies embedded	1	..
Contusion of the scrotum and testicles	3	..
Wounds, punctured, of the perineum	1	..
" lacerated, of the scrotum	2	..
" pistol-shot, of the penis	1	..

DISPENSARY PATIENTS—SURGICAL.

Continued.

DIAGNOSIS.	Male.	Female.
Injuries of the Upper Extremities:		
Contusion	135	16
Sprain	62	14
Wounds	495	60
" pistol-shot	30	2
Foreign bodies embedded	25	10
Greenstick fracture of the radius and ulna	4	..
Fracture of the clavicle	13	6
" " scapula — body	1	..
" " scapula — coracoid process	1	..
" " humerus — head and neck	8	2
" " humerus — shaft	7	4
" " humerus — condyles — external (simp.)	2	2
" " humerus — condyles — external (comp.)	1	..
" " humerus — condyles — internal	2	1
" " radius and ulna	14	2
" " radius — neck	..	2
" " radius — shaft	5	1
" " radius — Colles'	35	28
" " radius — impacted	1	..
" " radius — not specified	1	..
" " ulna — olecranon	3	..
" " ulna — shaft (simp.)	7	1
" " ulna — shaft (comp.)	1	..
" " metacarpus	12	2
" " phalanges	15	2
Dislocation of the sterno-clavicular joint	..	1
" " acromio-clavicular joint	3	..
" " clavicle (not specified)	1	..
" " shoulder — axillary	8	..
" " shoulder — subcoracoid	2	..
" " shoulder — sub-clavicular	1	
" " shoulder — not specified	6	..
" " elbow — both bones backward	3	1
" " elbow — radius forward	1	..
" " elbow — ulna backward	1	..
" " wrist	1	..
" " phalanges (simp.)	8	1
" " " (comp.)	1	..
Injuries of the Lower Extremities:		
Contusion	109	17
Sprain of the hip	2	..
" " knee	13	2
" " ankle	53	9
Wounds	96	6
" pistol-shot	7	2

DISPENSARY PATIENTS—SURGICAL.

Continued.

DIAGNOSIS.	Male.	Female.
Foreign bodies embedded	4	1
Fraeture of the femur (shaft)	1	..
" " cervix femoris	2	1
" " patella	3	..
" " leg, both bones	3	..
" " tibia	4	..
" " fibula	11	2
Fraeture, Potts'	3	1
" of the bones of the foot	8	..
Dislocation of the ankle outwards	1	..
" " seaphoid	1	..
Unclassified Injuries.		
Abrasions	34	2
Bites of animals	117	8
Old fraetures	16	2
" dislocations	1	..
Sunburn	2	..
Strain of the muscles of the leg	1	..
Total	2487	382

Surgical Diseases.

DIAGNOSIS.	Male.	Female.	DIAGNOSIS.	Male.	Female.
Abscess	82	10	Deafness	3	..
Balanitis	11	..	Epididymitis	16	..
Boils	22	6	Epistaxis	4	2
Bubo	18	..	Erysipelas	31	9
Bursitis	6	2	Fistula in ano	3	..
Cancer	1	..	Gangrene of foot	1	..
Carbuncle	5	..	Gleet	10	..
Caries of the spine	2	..	Gonorrhœa	79	3
Catarrh of the vagina	..	2	Hemorrhoids	14	2
Chancre (hard)	12	1	Hemorrhage from gums	3	..
" (soft)	29	2	" " urethra	2	..
Cicatrices	3	..	Hernia	20	6
Condyloma	2	..	Hip-joint disease	1	..
Conjunctivitis	19	2	Hordeolum	1	1
Corns	4	1	Hydrocele	6	..
Cystitis	4	..	Inflammation of the eyelids	1	1

DISPENSARY PATIENTS—SURGICAL.

Continued.

DIAGNOSIS.	Male.	Female.	DIAGNOSIS.	Male.	Female.
Inflammation of the lymphatics	19	5	Strabismus	1	..
" " middle ear	4	..	Stricture of the urethra	12	..
" " tendons	3	1	Synovitis	17	2
" " vulva	..	1	Syphilis	44	9
Incontinence of urine	1	2	Tongue-tie	1	.
Ingrowing toe-nail	3	1	Tumors	6	1
Iritis	1	..	Ulcers	65	23
Meningitis (traumatic)	1	..	Varicocele	1	..
Necrosis	9	1	Varicose veins	9	6
Orchitis	5	..	Varicose veins (ruptured)	6	..
Otalgia	7	1	Vascular tumors (hemorrhage)	1	..
Paraphimosis	2	..	Warts	14	..
Periostitis	5	..	Whitlow	57	18
Phimosis	1	..	Wry neck	1	1
Retenitis	1	.			
Retention of urine	37	2			
Salivary fistula	1	..		750	124

DISPENSARY PATIENTS—MEDICAL.

DIAGNOSIS.	Male.	Female.	DIAGNOSIS.	Male.	Female.
Abdominal tumors	1	..	Measles	4	1
Abortion	..	6	Menorrhagia	..	1
Acne	4	4	Mitral-valve disease	1	3
Alcoholism	100	26	Mumps	3	1
Amenorrhœa	.	4	Myelitis	3	..
Anaemia	14	30	Neuralgia	16	8
Aortic valve disease	2	..	Odontalgia	19	2
Aphasia	1	..	Old age	3	..
Aphtha	4	3	Opium habit	1	..
Asthma	4	2	Opium poisoning	1	..
Bright's disease	25	5	Palpitation of the heart	..	1
Bronchitis	158	89	Paralysis	4	2
Cephalalgia	26	11	Paris-green poisoning	2	2
Cholera morbus	51	15	Parturition	..	9
Chorea	1	..	Pharyngitis	31	8
Colic	44	10	Phthiriasis	11	2
Constipation	24	19	Phthisis	34	23
Coryza	11	6	Pleurisy	21	17
Croup	..	2	Pleurodynia	12	11
Debility	28	12	Plethora	1	2
Dementia	2	2	Pneumonia	14	..
Diabetes	1	..	Porrigo	2	..
Diarrhœa	75	21	Pregnancy	..	10
Diphtheria	2	.	Prolapsus uteri	..	2
Dysentery	7	3	Psoriasis	1	..
Dyspepsia	42	30	Pyrosis	1	4
Eczema	19	11	Relaxed throat	1	..
Endometritis	..	1	Retroversion of the uterus	..	1
Enteric fever	2	1	Rheumatism	55	29
Epilepsy	30	9	Scabies	5	1
Erythema	1	..	Sciatica	9	1
Galactorrhœa	..	1	Stomatitis	1	1
Gastritis	20	6	Sycosis	3	..
Goître	..	1	Syncope	1	..
Gout	1	..	Sunstroke	46	7
Hæmoptysis	16	1	Tænia	3	6
Hæmatemesis	1	..	Teething	1	1
Herpes	5	3	Tinia tonsurans	2	1
Hysteria	..	13	Tonsilitis	10	7
Impetigo	..	1	Urticaria	4	..
Intermittent fever	34	4	Vaccination	10	9
Jaundice	2	..	Varicella	..	1
Laryngitis	13	7	Variola	4	..
Lead poisoning	12	..	Varioloid	1	..
Locomotor ataxy	1	..	Vertigo	22	8
Lumbago	8	..			
Malingering	2	..	Total	1170	542
Mania	4	1			

OPERATIONS DURING 1876.

	Male.	Female.	Cured.	Improved.	Not Improved.	Died.
Amputation of the arm	1	..	..	..	..	*1
" " finger	20	..	20	..	..	..
" " forearm	1	..	..	..	..	*1
" " leg	1	..	..	..	..	*1
" " thigh	2	..	..	..	..	†2
Compound depressed fracture of skull—						
Bone elevated	2	1	2	..	1	..
" trephined	5	..	1	1	..	‡‖3
For removal of bullet	4	..	3	1	..	..
Strangulated hernia—						
Femoral	..	1	1	..	..	..
Inguinal	1	..	1	..	..	..
Skull trephined for—						
Pus	1	..	..	..	..	§¶1
Clot	1	..	..	..	..	§¶1
Total	39	2	28	2	1	10

* Cause of death, Tetanus 3
† " " Shock 2
‡ " " Abscess of the brain 1
§ " " Meningitis 2
‖ " " Compression of the brain 2

Total 10

SUMMARY OF REPORT FOR 1876.

		Male.	Female.	Total.
Patients remaining in wards Jan. 1, 1876	Medical	..	..	..
	Surgical	13	3	16
" admitted to wards during 1876	Medical	74	44	118
	Surgical	301	71	372
Total number treated in wards during 1876		388	118	506
Of these there were of	Injuries	310	71	381
	Surgical diseases	4	3	7
	Medical	74	44	118
Total		388	118	506
Discharged	Cured	..	..	232
	Improved	..	..	127
	Not improved	..	..	9
	Died	..	..	123
Total		..	..	491
Patients remaining in wards Jan. 1, 1877	Medical	..	3	3
	Surgical	11	3	14
Total		11	6	17
Number of deaths from injuries during 1876			..	71
Patients (new) treated in Dispensary in 1876	Injuries	2487	382	2869
	Surgical diseases	750	124	874
	Medical	1170	542	1712
Total		4407	1048	5455
Total number of operations during 1876		39	2	41
" sent to other hospitals during 1876		..	..	306

Total number of ambulance calls 978

Average time occupied by each call 30.7m.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. JAYNE,

House Surgeon.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR 1876.

The Committee appointed in obedience to the By-laws to audit the accounts of the Hospital, and to make an inventory of all the real and personal estate belonging to the Corporation, and a schedule of all the deeds, etc., in custody of the Treasurer, and a general statement of all the accounts, report as follows:

THE RECEIPTS OF THE BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM DURING THE PAST YEAR HAVE BEEN:

Board of Patients	$122,820 76	
Clothing	4,041 01	
Articles sold	623 26	
		$127,485 03

THE PAYMENTS FOR THE SAME PERIOD HAVE BEEN:

House Expenses and Improvements	$75,452 08	
Wages	38,200 19	
Clothing	4,049 18	
Repairs	1,085 11	
		$118,786 56
The Receipts over Payments for the Asylum in 1876 were:		$8,698 47

THE PAYMENTS FOR THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL IN 1876 WERE:

General Expenses	$1,441 77	
Library	1,655 08	
Pathological Cabinet	209 60	
Salaries	6,467 22	
		$9,773 67

The total expenditure of the Institution for the year, as above	$128,560 23
The total receipts of the Institution for the same time	127,485 03
Excess of Expenditure over Receipts for the year 1876	$1,075 20

THE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS OF THE INSTITUTION

DURING THE YEAR 1876 HAVE BEEN AS FOLLOWS:

Balance Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1876:		
In United States Trust Company	$155,802 50	
In National Bank of Commerce	4,565 57	
In Second National Bank	150 00	
In Bank of America to credit of Bloomingdale Asylum	2,272 96	
In hands of Warden at Bloomingdale Asylum.	197 59	
		162,988 62
Received on account of the Bloomingdale Asylum		127,485 03
Received Interest from United States Trust Company and Mortgages		2,504 36
Received Membership Subscriptions.		160 00
Received Returned Commissions on Premiums of Insurance		31 05
Received for Produce sold from Farm at White Plains		62 02
Received Ground Rents of Property on Broadway, Worth, Church, and Duane Streets		143,294 00
Received for Bonds of the Society of the New York Hospital, drawing six per cent. interest, sold at par		100,000 00
Received Ground Rents of Property on Ninth Avenue		3,000 00
Received for Stock and Implements on Farm at White Plains sold		2,573 43
Received for Stamped Drafts sold		8 98
Received on account of Ambulance House on Duane Street		1,000 00
		543,107 49

Paid on account of Support of the Bloomingdale Asylum	$118,786 56	
Paid Assessment for 108th St. Sewer, Bloomingdale Property	8,097 84	
Paid Assessment for Manhattan St. Sewer	4,061 23	
Paid Insurance on Buildings at Bloomingdale	676 48	
		131,622 11
Paid General Expenses		9,773 67
Paid for the Support of the House of Relief, 160 Chambers St.		14,840 45
Paid for Taxes, and building Stone Wall on Farm at White Plains		1,427 64
Paid Expenses of Pathological Cabinet		943 20
Paid for Legal Services		715 45
Paid Insurance on House 8 West 16th St.		283 86
Paid Insurance on Boilers in new Hospital		50 00
Paid Interest on Mortgages on Real Estate in 18th Ward	12,600 00	
Paid Interest on Hospital Bonds	17,124 17	
		29,724 17
Paid for Portrait of William Dennistoun, late Treasurer		1,298 00
Paid on account of Mortgages, 18th Ward Property		1,500 00
Paid Architect Balance for services in the matter of proposed Asylum Buildings at White Plains		7,000 00
Paid on account new Hospital Buildings on 15th and 16th Streets		287,309 70
Balance Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1876:		
In United States Trust Co.	43,231 60	
In National Bank of Commerce	1,673 60	
In Second National Bank.	500 00	
In Bank of America to the credit of Bloomingdale Asylum	11,144 24	
In hands of Warden at Bloomingdale Asylum	24 78	
In National Bank of Commerce to the credit of House of Relief	45 02	
		56,619 24
		543,107 49

WILLIAM H. MACY, *Treasurer.*

The Committee have examined all the accounts presented to them, and have found them correct. They are herewith presented. For a Schedule of Deeds, Bonds, etc., the Committee beg to refer to the Treasurer.

GEORGE CABOT WARD,
WILLIAM M. HALSTED,
HERMAN R. LE ROY,
} *Committee*

NEW YORK HOSPITAL, *Jan.* 24, 1877.

GENERAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR 1876.

Library		$1,655 08
Museum		209 60
Ice	$60 95	
Printing	348 53	
Furniture	56 25	
Repairs	59 38	
Postage	53 47	
Car Fares	19 70	
Gas	237 45	
Stationery	115 54	
Croton Water	79 30	
House Expenses	244 17	
Sundries	167 03	
		1,441 77
Salaries and Wages		6,467 22
		$9,773 67

ACCOUNT OF GENERAL DISBURSEMENTS OF BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM.

From January 1, 1876, to December 31, 1876.

ARTICLES OF FOOD.

Fish, Oysters, and Clams	$2,112 46
Beef, Mutton, Veal, Lamb	18,673 99
Poultry	1,786 62
Eggs	951 13
Flour	2,769 41
Ham, Sausage, Smoked Beef, Lard	2,012 41
Rice, Barley, Beans, Tapioca, Farina	267 20
Butter	4,309 09
Cheese	308 88
Coffee, Chocolate, Broma	1,052 20
Tea	835 90
Crushed Sugar	677 08
Coffee Sugar	1,631 11
Syrup, Molasses	90 48
Fruit (green and dried)	3,072 43
Spices, Salt, Sweet-Oil	313 08
Cider, Vinegar	303 14
Milk	288 00
Ice	470 74
Ice Cream, Confectionery	313 85
Vegetables	1,871 41
	$44,110 61

SUNDRIES.

Permanent Improvements	$3,005 78
Furnace, Castings, Pipes, etc	411 29
Blacksmithing	596 48
Tin, Copper, Sheet Iron, etc	461 40
Amount carried forward	$4,474 95

SUNDRIES—Continued.

Amount brought forward	$4,474 95
Gas, Kerosene	1,720 72
Coal, Charcoal	5,320 70
Repairs	1,085 11
Plumbing	165 24
Hardware	310 83
Lumber, Lime, Brick, Cement	418 65
Paints, Oils, Turpentine	366 89
Brooms, Brushes, Wooden Ware	429 12
Medicines, Liquors, Ales	1,754 71
Harness, Carriages	310 70
Stationery, Stamps, Printing	362 07
Dry-Goods	1,961 38
Furniture, Carpets, Oil-Cloths	5,461 70
Soap and Materials	805 90
Crockery	741 84
Carriage Hire	474 00
Farming Tools, Seeds, Plants	451 10
Hay and Straw	1,472 96
Oats, Fine Feed, and Grain	1,132 01
Live Stock	438 00
Starch, Indigo	133 52
Amusements, Books, Periodicals	1,169 06
Contingencies	242 72
Water Tax	975 00
Legal Fees	247 70
Wages and Salaries	38,200 19
Clothing	4,049 18
	$74,675 95



